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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the Olive-Harvey College  
4 women's basketball team, the Lady Panthers, on their  
5 successful 2024-25 season; and

6 WHEREAS, The Lady Panthers finished the season with a  
7 record of 33 wins and 2 losses; no other school in the history  
8 of City Colleges of Chicago, men or women, has ever won over 30  
9 games in a season; and

10 WHEREAS, The Lady Panthers won the City Colleges  
11 Conference Championship, the NJCAA Region 4 Division I  
12 Championship, and the NJCAA District 13 Division I  
13 Championship and earned a trip to the NJCAA Division I  
14 National Tournament as one of the best 24 junior college teams  
15 in the country; and

16 WHEREAS, The Lady Panthers' success was a team effort but  
17 would not have been possible without three sophomores,  
18 including Region 4 Player of the Year and All American  
19 Candidate Nakia Bardney, All Region 4 and All American  
20 Candidate Khaniah Gardner, and All Region 4 Cashay Dixon; and

21 WHEREAS, The Lady Panthers are led by NJCAA Region 4 and

1 NJCAA District 13 Coach of the Year Coach Jeff Dillard Jr. and  
2 his coaching staff; and

3 WHEREAS, The Lady Panthers find their support from  
4 parents, friends, President Kimberly Hollingsworth, Dean  
5 Michelle Adams, District Director Cyril Nichols, Chancellor  
6 Juan Salgado, Director Robert Fletcher, Assistant Director  
7 Jason Straight, and the entire Olive-Harvey College Community;  
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
10 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
11 we congratulate the Olive-Harvey College women's basketball  
12 team, the Lady Panthers, on their successful 2024-25 season,  
13 and we wish them many more successful seasons; and be it  
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
16 presented to the Lady Panthers' players and coaches as a  
17 symbol of our respect and esteem.