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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives wishes to 3 congratulate the 2022-2023 7th-and-8th grade girls basketball 4 team of Alexander Graham Bell Elementary School for winning 5 the Chicago Public School district-wide championship, CPS 6 Score!; and

7 WHEREAS, Coach Mark Klein of the girls Bell Blaze team
8 remains committed to girls athletics and has instilled the
9 values of hard work and sportsmanship in his players; and

10 WHEREAS, Assistant Coach Jessica Ransom, Jermaine Marks, 11 Katie Bermingham, John Martin, Juan Gonzales, and Nicole 12 Tsamoulos have also been crucial to the success of the Bell 13 Blaze team; and

14 WHEREAS, Coach Mark Klein began the girls basketball 15 program in 1993 and has been head coach ever since; and

16 WHEREAS, This marks Coach Mark Klein's third consecutive 17 championship win and the team's 76th consecutive district game 18 win; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Bell Blaze team are Tilly
Paulson, Zohra Atmani, Eliana Snopek, Vega Ransom-Marks, Ava

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Martin, Mila Maksimovic, Mary Hickman, Alana Kroot, Nicole
Toledo, Zinnia Meyer, Sofia Gonzalez, Lyla Hamilton, Madeline
Snyder, Allison Reynolds, and Callie Possinger; and

4 WHEREAS, Teamwork and game plans that allow every player 5 to contribute were crucial to the team's success; and

6 WHEREAS, The team played exemplary defense, understanding 7 that cooperation in these situations would allow for 8 fast-breaks and opportunities to take chances; therefore, be 9 it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 11 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 12 we congratulate Alexander Graham Bell Elementary School on the 13 district-wide championships of their 7th-and-8th grade girls 14 basketball team; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 16 presented to Alexander Graham Bell Elementary School to 17 highlight the impactful role of sportsmanship and athleticism 18 on young people.