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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the Rochester Rockets
4 football team on its undefeated season and 2023 Class 4A state
5 championship victory; and

6 WHEREAS, The Class 4A state championship game was hosted
7 by Illinois State University at Hancock Stadium in Normal on
8 November 24, 2023; and

9 WHEREAS, The Rochester Rockets football season was filled
10 with hard fought wins and great coaching, leading to the first
11 championship since 2019; and

12 WHEREAS, The 2023 Rochester Rockets football team consists
13 of seniors Bryce Cook, Austin Bales, AJ Bales, Aiden Bennett,
14 Henery Bueckner, Canon Bruce, Endor Slot, Will Robinson,
15 Parker Gillespie, Tyson Binion, Nolan Mrozowski, Mason Devos,
16 Brody Nelson, Parker Lyons, Weston Greer, Jared Lauwerens,
17 Danny Dyer, Ian Klockenga, Matthew Young, Karter Reiss, Jack
18 Swaney, and Lance Ingold; juniors, Bryan Zulauf, Joshua Hoff,
19 Breck Calvert, Arron McDannald, Mason Jacobs, Eli Carlson,
20 Hunter Bilbrey, Ty Durocher, Drake Pfeiffer, Lach Sullivan,
21 Holt Zeidler, Nolan Klatt, Jack Preuss, Bryer Ramsy, Ryan
22 Allen, Vinny Whalen, Jacob Stuebs, Adam Palazzolo, Jake

1 Milliron, Enrique Ayala, Ethan Fordham, and Jamal Bramer;
2 sophomores, Tanner Beal, Tristan Stanton, Jack Stanton, Kaiden
3 Stout, David Kates, Samuel Hunt, Brooks Gavin, Jorey Myren,
4 Declan McCarty, Joey Durham, Wesley Sheraden, Vincent Laurent,
5 Connor Broughton, Cade Jones, Daniel Showalter, Justin Koch,
6 Eric Anderson, Logan Veach, Cody Foster, Albert Coltfelter,
7 and Alyssa Day; and freshmen, Nate Swaney, Jack Bueckner, JP
8 Leonard, Eli Cox, Beau Chance, Cole Hanson, Logan Carmody,
9 Parker Seifert, Brayden Egger, Nicholas Mrozowski, Brady
10 Leichsenring, Grayson Whaley, Isaac Hardas, Frank Stefano,
11 James Escobar, Archie Parker, Clay Matthews, Matthew Ryan,
12 Nolan Cordes, Jonathan Hagman, Timothy Sampson, Peyton Rice,
13 Jake Febus, Ethan Liston, Joe Chapman, Zane Zulauf, Luke Hall,
14 and Dylan Durocher; and

15 WHEREAS, The Rochester Rockets are coached by Head Coach
16 Derek Leonard, and assistant coaches, Derrick Nelson, Seve
17 Bueckner, JC Clarke, Tyson Corley, Rich McMahan, Eric Warren,
18 Tyler Mazzini, Matt Swaine, Matt Lauber, Christian Gripper,
19 Mike Gunter, Andrew McGhgy, Camden Ramsey, Colten Glazebrook,
20 Jordan Raps, Jim Smith, Brett Tackett, Jim Rychel, Nathan
21 Sampson, Albert Stillman, Matt Thompson, and Ashley Stillman;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, Athletics instills values of sportsmanship and
24 integrity in all young athletes, and these values were on full

1 display with the Rochester Rockets football team, leading to
2 an impressive and well deserved state championship win;
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
5 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
6 we congratulate the Rochester Rockets football team on its
7 success, and we recognize the team's hard work and dedication,
8 resulting in the proud representation of Rochester High
9 School; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
11 presented to the Rochester Rockets football team players and
12 coaches as a symbol of our esteem and respect.