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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois congratulate Chicago's Mother McAuley High School Mighty Mac Varsity Volleyball team for winning the Class AA state championship title on November 13, 2004; they won the conference title, and are the reigning regional, sectional, super-sectional, and state champions; and

WHEREAS, The Mighty Macs captured their 13th state championship in a thrilling match against Crystal Lake Prairie Ridge and they finished their season with a 42-2 record; Head Coach and Athletic Director Nancy Pedersen finished her McAuley 22-year career as Head Coach with a record nine state championships to her credit; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Varsity Coach is Jennifer DeJarld, Assistant/JV Coach is Mark Wasik, Assistant/Freshman Coach is Meg Griffin, and Mother McAuley's Principal is Sr. Rose Wiorek; and

WHEREAS, The Varsity volleyball players are Jana Wojcik, Caitlin Strimel, Meghan Meyrer, Ashlee Lindish, Kim Richards, Jen Kozlarek, Stephanie Cummings, Colleen Henehan, Katie Clemens, Caitlin Balsam (Captain), Bridget Kennedy, Emily McGinnis, Kate Corbett, Katie Corley, Bridget O'Brien, and Brittany Cermak; and

WHEREAS, Caitlin Balsam, Kate Corbett, and Jen Kozlarek were chosen by the Daily Southtown for the All Area Team; Caitlin received added acknowledgment by being named Player of the Year, along with Nancy Pedersen being named Coach of the Year; all 16 players worked together day by day, pushing each other and each contributing in their own special way on and off the court in true Mother McAuley fashion; and

1           WHEREAS, The Mighty Mac team was loyally and  
2 enthusiastically supported by their families and fans;  
3 therefore, be it

4           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
5 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
6 we recognize the talent of these young athletes and  
7 congratulate the team and coaching staff on their tremendous  
8 accomplishments; and be it further

9           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
10 presented to Mother McAuley High School as an expression of our  
11 admiration and with best wishes for continued success in the  
12 future.