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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the members of the  
4 Rochester Rockets varsity football team on the occasion of  
5 winning the 2012 IHSA Class 4A State Football Tournament; and

6           WHEREAS, The Rochester Rockets defeated Rock Island  
7 Alleman 43-18 to claim victory at the IHSA Class 4A State  
8 Football Tournament; the team ended the season with a  
9 phenomenal 13-1 record; and

10           WHEREAS, The victory marks the third State title for the  
11 Rochester Rockets, a rare distinction only achieved by 25 teams  
12 in the entire State; and

13           WHEREAS, The members of the Rochester Rockets are Colton  
14 Piper, Blake Pasley, CJ Baker, Tre Fry, Drew Hill, Jesse  
15 Wooden, Marshall Call, Matt Swaine, Blake Thompson, Austin  
16 Green, Jeremy Bivens, Nathaniel Johnson, Tyler Mazzini, Matt  
17 Kelly, Jesse Heissinger, Bret Sandvoss, Gabe Ferguson, Brent  
18 Hebenstreit, Alex Tackett, Drake Berberet, Brandon Boggs, Luke  
19 Bucher, Eli Wall-Lampkin, Garret Dooley, James Pearce, Kenny  
20 Hedges, Johnny Jones, Dylan Handlin, Eric Yakle, Colin Rogers,  
21 David Gunter, Reed Watson, Connor Drendel, Liam Biesiada, Evan  
22 Grigsby, Joe Roach, Zach Denning, Josh McGowan, Bo Johnson,

1 Adam Doedtman, Drake Leeper, Mitch Colman, Evan Chastain, Matt  
2 Donelan, Grant Fitzsimmons, Austin Staton, Hunter Brooks, Jake  
3 King, Alec Biggs, Jasper Capriotti, Logan Larue, Josh Drendel,  
4 Drew Szabados, Tyler Cotton, Brett Geever, Steven Russell, Zach  
5 Wenger, Connor Brewer, Alec Holzmacher, Tyler Sommer, Joe  
6 Romanotto, Reece Torricelli, Robert Seaton, Robbie Kelley,  
7 Brendan Bunch, Talon Tapscott, Dallas Greer, Brock Buscher,  
8 Seth Eddington, Nathaniel Fisher, Lucas Hendren, Evan McMinn,  
9 Evan Sembell, Paul Donelan, Luke Gragert, Britton Swaine,  
10 Matthew Briggs, Dylan Post, Dan Zeigler, Connor Preiss, Tyler  
11 Fitzgerald, Nate Slot, Colten Shadis, Dallas Groth, and Zach  
12 Geller; the team's head coach is Derek Leonard and the  
13 assistant coaches are Derrick Nelson, Troy Piper, Jim Smith, JC  
14 Clarke, Steve Buecker, Tyson Corley, Joe Oller, Brad Leonard,  
15 and David Maciejewski; and

16 WHEREAS, The members of the Rochester Rockets serve as  
17 models of hard work, integrity, and dedication for the people  
18 of the State of Illinois; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
20 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
21 we congratulate the members of the Rochester Rockets varsity  
22 football team on their victory and wish them continued success  
23 and happiness in the future; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to Rochester Rockets head coach Derek Leonard as a  
3 symbol of our esteem and respect.