

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION DRHJR10372-LG-679 (5/5)

Sponsors: Representative Wilkins.

Referred to:

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS
2 OF THE PERSON HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL TEAM.

3 Whereas, the Person High School Rockets girls' volleyball team won the
4 North Carolina High School Athletic Association's (NCHSAA) 4-A Girls' State
5 Championship on November 3, 2007, by defeating the Charlotte Meyers Park
6 Mustangs; and

7 Whereas, this victory gave the Lady Rockets volleyball team its second
8 consecutive State championship having also won in 2006; and

9 Whereas, during 2005, 2006, and 2007, the Lady Rockets volleyball team
10 appeared in three consecutive State championship finals, was named East Regional and
11 Piedmont Athletic Conference champions three times, and compiled an impressive
12 record of 79-4, including a regular season record of 42-0; and

13 Whereas, the Lady Rockets volleyball team is the first Person County high
14 school team to win a State championship in athletic competition; and

15 Whereas, the Lady Rockets volleyball team owes much of its success to head
16 coach Sandy Mathews who has served as a coach for 21 years; and

17 Whereas, the achievements of the Lady Rockets volleyball team are a fitting
18 testimonial and memorial to former Person County School Superintendents R.B. Griffin
19 and Walter Rogers, Principal Jerry L. Hester, and Principal and Coach Henry Eily; and

20 Whereas, the Lady Rockets' successful volleyball program has brought great
21 honor and distinction to the State and deserves recognition; Now, therefore,

22 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

23 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly congratulates the Person High School
24 Lady Rockets on winning the 2006 and 2007 NCHSAA 4-A State Volleyball
25 Championship and recognizes the achievements of the 2007 team members: Katie
26 Blaylock, Ashley Clayton, Paige Cox, Heather McCarter, Casey Raymer, Rachel
27 Reeves, Jordan Rhew, Amanda Robertson, Katie Tatum, Megan Tatum, Tara Whitfield,
28 and Sara Wrenn; head coach Sandy Mathews; assistant coaches Jennifer Taylor,

1 Micholene Schumacher, and Lynn Ward; parents; and fans who were instrumental in
2 helping the team succeed.

3 **SECTION 2.** The General Assembly honors the memory of R.B. Griffin,
4 Walter Rogers, Jerry L. Hester, and Henry Eily for their contributions to the education
5 system and athletic programs of the Person County schools.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
7 resolution to Person High School Principal Margaret Bradsher and to the families of
8 R.B. Griffin, Walter Rogers, Jerry L. Hester, and Henry Eily.

9 **SECTION 4.** This resolution is effective upon ratification.