

Senate Resolution 567

By: Senators Jackson of the 2nd and Watson of the 1st

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating the Benedictine High School Cadets football team for winning the 2014 Class
2 AA State Championship; and for other purposes.

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4 WHEREAS, through perseverance and determination, and while demonstrating integrity,
5 intelligence, and discipline, the Benedictine Cadets gained their first state championship title
6 in the varsity football program's 111th season with a decisive 45-21 victory over the Greater
7 Atlanta Christian High School Spartans, avenging a 24-21 loss to the same team in the first
8 game of the season; and

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10 WHEREAS, during the 2014 season, senior quarterback Stevie Powers led an offense that
11 averaged nearly 45 points a game, completing 177 of 260 passes for 3,347 yards with 32
12 touchdown passes and just six interceptions, while rushing for 107 yards and four
13 touchdowns, throwing for 256 yards and two scores, and a pair of touchdown runs in the state
14 championship game; and

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16 WHEREAS, during the 2014 season, senior receivers Brad Stewart and Joseph "Peanut"
17 Holguin combined for over 2,000 yards receiving and a corps of running backs combined for
18 more than 3,300 yards rushing; and

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20 WHEREAS, the Cadet defense dominated opponents throughout the season, posting three
21 shutouts and giving up an average of only 200 yards and 11 points over the course of 15
22 games; and

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24 WHEREAS, the performance of the team is a clear indication of the outstanding talent,
25 dedication, and hard work, as well as the unity of purpose and spirit, possessed by each
26 member of the team from the stars to the first-year players, their offensive and defensive
27 assistant coaches, their trainers, and their fans; and

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29 WHEREAS, Head Coach Danny Britt, in his fourth year as head coach at Benedictine, was
30 selected as the Georgia High School Association Class AA Coach of the Year for 2014; and

31 WHEREAS Coach Britt was supported by an outstanding group of assistant coaches and
32 trainers; and

33 WHEREAS, the Benedictine Cadets were supported by a loyal and raucous fan base that
34 packed their home stadium for home games and traveled by the thousands to witness regular
35 season and playoff victories hundreds of miles from their home in Savannah, Georgia; and

36 WHEREAS, the Benedictine Cadets achieved this great success through fierce determination
37 and months of hard work and an attitude shared by all Cadet faithful of "All In."

38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
39 congratulate the Benedictine High School Cadets football team for winning the 2014 Class
40 AA State Championship.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
42 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Benedictine
43 High School Cadets football team.