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3 By Senator Ward
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8 COMMENDING THOMPSON HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING TEAM ON
9 THE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT OF WINNING THE CLASS 7A AHSAA
10 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

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12 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations
13 are herein proudly extended to Thompson High School Wrestling
14 Team on the outstanding achievement of winning the Class 7A
15 AHSAA State Championship at the Von Braun Civic Center in
16 Huntsville, Alabama; and

17 WHEREAS, through hard work, diligence, and an
18 unwavering commitment to excellence, the Thompson High School
19 Warriors earned the program's first state title since 2015 and
20 sixth title overall with a total of 120 points; and

21 WHEREAS, junior Gabe Hixenbaugh earned an individual
22 title and became the 21st wrestler in Alabama history to
23 capture four state championships; junior Chandler Akins earned
24 a successive state title; junior Dylan Lesueur and senior Seth
25 Whitlock also earned individual titles; sophomore Emmanuel
26 Oliver finished second and sophomore Alex Ward finished
27 fourth; and

1 WHEREAS, expert guidance and leadership were
2 provided by Head Coach Shawn Weltzin; and

3 WHEREAS, the Thompson High School wrestlers are
4 one-of-a-kind athletes whose determination and effort inspire
5 countless others to also give their all; and

6 WHEREAS, the achievements of these remarkable
7 student-athletes reflect immense credit upon their school,
8 families, and the entire community, and they are truly
9 deserving of special recognition and praise; now therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
11 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Thompson High School
12 Wrestling Team is highly honored and commended, and this
13 resolution is offered to Head Coach Shawn Weltzin and his
14 athletes in heartiest congratulations, as well as with sincere
15 best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.