

## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 280**

## By Senators White, Reeves

### and

# Representatives Baum, Terry, Rudd

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Riverdale High School cheerleading team upon winning the 2023 National High School Cheerleading Championship.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school athletic teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, the Riverdale High School cheerleading squad is one such team, which recently claimed the top spot at the 2023 National High School Cheerleading Championship (NHSCC) on February 12, 2023, at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida; and

WHEREAS, this phenomenal victory is made doubly sweet by being the first cheerleading national championship win in the school's fifty-year history; and

WHEREAS, in NHSCC competition, the Riverdale squad competed in the Large Varsity Division 1 Game Day Non-Tumbling division, beating out twenty-nine other teams in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the members of this championship cheerleading squad are Kyra Adams, Lily Bryant, Mykah Cothran, Dani Dedic, Brooklynn Ferguson, Lauren Franklin, Trinity Gilliam, Jazmyne Goodman, Carlie Hawkins, Larkyn Kleczinski, Lark Knierim, Hadley Knox, Libby Lyles, Bailey Marquez, Jadyn McAboy, Karis McKinnie, Regan Murphy, Kaia Phelps, Zadeigh Pitalo, Lexi Smith, Jemma Underwood, Josie Underwood, Bailey Utterback, Heidy Vega, and Diora Webb; and

WHEREAS, the Riverdale cheerleaders benefited greatly from the devoted guidance of teacher/coaches Brooke Wyant and Tiffany Cain, as well as coach/choreographer Amber McKellar; and

WHEREAS, displaying great sportsmanship and outstanding character throughout the season, the members of the Riverdale High School cheerleading squad have conducted themselves in a manner appropriate to the integrity of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young athletes not only made possible a stellar triumph but also surely bode well for their future success; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Riverdale High School cheerleading squad for its outstanding performance; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the coaches and members of the Riverdale High School cheerleading team on their commitment to excellence and congratulate them on winning the 2023 National High School Cheerleading Championship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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ADOPTED:	March 9, 2023	
	12-1	RANDY McNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
		CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
APPROVED this	s <u>20 <sup>tu</sup> day of <i>V</i></u>	March 2023
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BILL LEE, GOVERNOR