

1 A RESOLUTION honoring the Mercer County High School girls' basketball team
2 upon winning their second straight KHSAA Sweet Sixteen.

3 WHEREAS, this honorable body commends rare athletic achievement, and gives
4 special commendation to those athletic teams who pursue such excellence that they
5 become examples for the youth of this Commonwealth; and

6 WHEREAS, the Mercer County High School girls' basketball team achieved such
7 excellence on March 11, 2018, when they defeated Mercy High School 74-34 to win their
8 second consecutive St. Elizabeth Healthcare/KHSAA Girls' Sweet Sixteen Basketball
9 Tournament; and

10 WHEREAS, Mercer County High School became the first team to win back to back
11 state girls' titles since Lexington Catholic High School in 2005 and 2006; and

12 WHEREAS, the Titans dominated the game from the opening tip. The 40-point
13 margin of victory was the largest ever in a Kentucky state championship game, and the
14 team's 36 wins was a school record. Over the past four seasons, Mercer County High
15 School is an astonishing 126-19; and

16 WHEREAS, the Titans were led in the championship game by Emma Davis's and
17 Lexy Lake's 17 apiece. Emma Souder contributed 15 points, while tournament most
18 valuable player Seygan Robins chipped in with eight; and

19 WHEREAS, the achievements of the Mercer County High School girls' basketball
20 team and its coach, Chris Souder, deserve recognition and have earned these young ladies
21 a rightful place at the top of their sport. For their impressive 2018 season and for the
22 example they have set for future generations of young athletes in this Commonwealth,
23 this body honors them and wishes them the best of luck in all their future endeavors;

24 NOW, THEREFORE,

25 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of*
26 *Kentucky:*

27 ➡Section 1. The members of the Senate, both individually and collectively,

1 hereby commend the Mercer County High School girls' basketball team upon its second
2 consecutive KHSAA Sweet Sixteen title and congratulate each member of the team, Head
3 Coach Chris Souder, and the entire Mercer County community.

4 ➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of the Mercer
5 County High School girls' basketball team.

6 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this
7 Resolution to Senator Tom Buford.