

1 A RESOLUTION honoring the Sacred Heart Academy Valkyries Girls' Basketball
2 Team, 2022 Kentucky High School Athletic Association State Basketball Champions.

3 WHEREAS, on March 12, 2022, before a crowd of 4,460 at Rupp Arena in
4 Lexington, the Sacred Heart Academy Valkyries defeated the Lady Chargers of Bullitt
5 East High School by a score of 64 to 46 to win the 2022 Mingua Beef Jerky Girls Sweet
6 Sixteen Basketball Tournament; and

7 WHEREAS, the victory in the championship game was Sacred Heart's second title
8 in a row and capped off an incredible season of 36 wins against just 3 losses, with the
9 three losses coming by an aggregate total of 8 points; and

10 WHEREAS, the season-long dominance of the Valkyries was perhaps best
11 evidenced by their nine game run through district, regional, and state tournament play, in
12 which their closest margin of victory was 9 points; and

13 WHEREAS, the Valkyries were led in the Sweet Sixteen by a stellar trio: freshman
14 forward ZaKiyah Johnson, who was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player; and
15 senior guard Josie Gilvin and junior guard Triniti Ralston, who both joined Johnson on
16 the All-Tournament Team; and

17 WHEREAS, senior guard Olivia Lovan was awarded the Joe Billy Mansfield
18 Award, which is given annually to a tournament participant based on citizenship,
19 basketball ability, academic achievement, and sportsmanship; and

20 WHEREAS, other members of the Valkyries included seniors Olivia Kaufman,
21 Sienna Slaughter, and Alexandra Wolff; sophomores Reagan Bender, who led the team in
22 scoring with 16 points in the championship game, Allea Holbrook, Emi-Lee Howe,
23 Angelina Pelayo, Claire Russell, and Abigail Wolff; and freshman Morgan Frey; and

24 WHEREAS, Sacred Heart's state championship was the sixth in school history,
25 making the Valkyries the most successful girls' basketball program in the history of the
26 Commonwealth; and

27 WHEREAS, the Valkyries were coached to victory by the legendary Donna Moir,

1 who, over her 31 year career at the school, has amassed 737 victories, fourth most in state
2 history, and five state championships, the most for any coach since girls' basketball was
3 restarted in 1975; and

4 WHEREAS, Coach Moir was ably assisted by coaches Matthew Carson, Frederick
5 Moir, Jr., Crystal L. Riley, and Amy Siegel; and

6 WHEREAS, the hard work, dedication, perseverance, and overall excellence of this
7 outstanding group of young women and their coaches is most certainly worthy of public
8 recognition, as they have cemented their legacy in the annals of Kentucky interscholastic
9 athletics history;

10 NOW, THEREFORE,

11 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of*
12 *Kentucky:*

13 ➔Section 1. The members of this august body, both individually and collectively,
14 do hereby commend and congratulate the Sacred Heart Valkyries, Head Coach Donna
15 Moir, and the assistant coaches and staff upon winning the 2022 KHSAA Girls'
16 Basketball State Championship, and wish all involved with the team good fortune in all
17 future endeavors.

18 ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this Resolution to
19 Coach Donna Moir, Sacred Heart Academy, 3175 Lexington Road, Louisville, Kentucky
20 40206.