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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the Westville Junior High
4 School softball team, the Wildcats, on winning the 2025 IESA
5 Class 2A state championship; and

6 WHEREAS, The Wildcats won two games on September 20, 2025,
7 defeating Calhoun High School (Hardin) in their final contest
8 by a score of 7 to 3 to secure their championship; and

9 WHEREAS, The Wildcats finished their season with a perfect
10 record of 25 wins and zero losses; and

11 WHEREAS, The Wildcats' record over the last two seasons of
12 IESA play is 44 and 1; and

13 WHEREAS, The Wildcats are led by coaches Matt Darling and
14 Ed Barney; and

15 WHEREAS, The members of the Wildcats are Reese Michelin,
16 Trinity McGehee, Denim Zaayer, Aria Beninato, Rhyla Strange,
17 Dannalee Lutchka, Maddie Herrin, Autumn McDaniel, Danica Fox,
18 Ella Douglas, Kinley Barney, Harper Eldridge, Krislen Cook,
19 Riley Barnes, Bella Taflinger, and Lilly Pabst; and

1 WHEREAS, The Wildcats were welcomed home with a Westville
2 police and fire department escort, along with honking horns
3 and cheering fans; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
5 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
6 we congratulate the Westville Junior High School softball
7 team, the Wildcats, on winning the 2025 IESA Class 2A state
8 championship and recognize all of the contributions made by
9 the players, coaches, and families who have impacted their
10 team and school for the better; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
12 presented to the Wildcats and to coaches Matt Darling and Ed
13 Barney as an expression of our esteem and respect for a perfect
14 championship winning season.