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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate the Central High School Varsity Cheerleading squad, the Cougars, on winning the 2025-2026 Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Class 1A Competitive Cheerleading State Final; and

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WHEREAS, The Cougars established themselves as one of the top teams in the State during the regular season, capturing first place in the 1A division at both the Edwardsville Illinois Cheerleading Coaches Association (ICCA) Invitational, hosted by Edwardsville High School in December 2025, and the All the Lights Competition at Lakes High School in January 2026; and

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WHEREAS, The Cougars carried that momentum into the postseason at the Edwardsville Sectional on January 31, 2026, where the squad earned a first-place finish, securing the program's ninth sectional championship in competitive cheerleading and 17th appearance at the State finals; and

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WHEREAS, The preliminary round of the IHSA Competitive Cheerleading State Final took place on Friday, February 6, 2026 at Grossinger Motors Arena in Bloomington, where the Cougars finished first out of 25 teams in the 1A division with

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1 a score of 94.02, more than two points ahead of Columbia High
2 School; and

3 WHEREAS, The Cougars captured their fifth state title with
4 a victory over Pinckneyville High School and Mater Dei High
5 School on February 7, 2026; and

6 WHEREAS, The Cougars are led by Coaches Julianne Jacob,
7 Tea Cripe, Blake Bowers, and Morgan Jansen; and

8 WHEREAS, The members of the 2025-2026 Cougars include Abby
9 Becker, Mabry Benhoff, Grace Deiters, Anna Florczyk, Ivy
10 Heimann, Avery Hemker, Hayden Lampe, Camryn Langhauser, Alyse
11 Morris, Grace Nordike, Jacey Robke, Maddy Ross, Halle
12 Schlautman, Ambryn Shirley, Lauren Jurgensmeyer, Remi Radloff,
13 Sarah Attaway, and Lily Thole; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
15 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
16 we congratulate the Central High School Varsity Cheerleading
17 squad, the Cougars, on winning the 2025-2026 Illinois High
18 School Association (IHSA) Class 1A Competitive Cheerleading
19 State Final, and we wish the squad many more successful
20 seasons; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be

1 presented to the players and coaches of the Cougars as a symbol
2 of our respect and esteem.