

By Representative Boyd

1 House Resolution

2 A resolution in recognition of the Chiefland
3 High School Indians football team, winners of
4 the 1997 State 2A Football Championship.

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6 WHEREAS, the 1997 Chiefland High School Indians
7 football team overcame difficult odds and a tough schedule to
8 continue a winning tradition for Chiefland High School, and

9 WHEREAS, the Indians completed their regular season
10 with a record of 8-2 and continued on to postseason play in
11 the State Division 2A playoffs, and

12 WHEREAS, the Chiefland Indians won five playoff games,
13 beating First Academy, 55-7; Fort Meade, 32-19; Northwest
14 Christian, 47-20; Moore Haven, 41-26; and Lafayette, 49-28,
15 thereby capturing the Class 2A Florida High School Football
16 Championship, and

17 WHEREAS, the team rose from being unranked to being the
18 undisputed champions in their division, and had tremendous fan
19 support along the way from the citizens of Chiefland and Levy
20 County, with over 4,500 fans in attendance at the Indians'
21 final game, thus setting an all-time record for attendance at
22 a Division 2A championship game, and

23 WHEREAS, this accomplishment has brought pride and joy
24 to the students, faculty, and staff of Chiefland High School,
25 as well as to the citizens of Chiefland and Levy County, and

26 WHEREAS, team members Tommy Arrington, Zack Coston,
27 Jared Gore, Shane Ingram, Doug Prevatt, Corey Tyson, Shawn
28 Watkins, Gordon Bickel, Byron Dawson, Mike Graham, Jarret
29 Johnson, Travis Richardson, Ryan Tyson, Danny Wilson, David
30 Burney, David Fisher, John Guyton, Brian Norris, Matt Roach,
31 Coltt Valentine, Jeff Carson, Jeremy Gentry, Joey Ice, Gerold

1 Pitts, Rob Studstill, and Keith Vogel, as well as Head Coach
2 Jim O'Neal, assistant coaches Randy Fuller, Wes Lackey, Brian
3 Gore, Don Lawrence, Sam Holland, and Chad Holmes are all to be
4 commended for their championship season, NOW, THEREFORE,

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6 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
7 Florida:

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9 That the House of Representatives of the State of
10 Florida hereby recognizes and offers its congratulations to
11 the Chiefland High School Indians football team, winners of
12 the 1997 Division 2A State High School Football Championship.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution
14 be presented to Head Coach Jim O'Neal as a tangible token of
15 the sentiments expressed herein.

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