



Resolution No. 2016R-122

City of Minneapolis

File No. 16-00382

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**Honoring DeLaSalle High School Boys' Basketball 2016 Minnesota Class AAA State Champions.**

Whereas, DeLaSalle High School of Minneapolis won its fifth straight Minnesota Class AAA State Championship on March 12, defeating Fergus Falls, 79-65; and

Whereas, DeLaSalle is the first high school in the 104-year history of the Minnesota State Tournament to win five straight boys' championships. The 2015-16 team finished with a record of 25-4, and were champions of Section 6AAA prior to winning the State Tournament; and

Whereas, head coach Dave Thorson now has a career record of 500 wins and 133 losses. In his 22 years at DeLaSalle, the school has qualified for fourteen state tournaments, won eight titles and finished as runner-up twice. Going back to 1927, DeLaSalle boys' basketball teams have qualified for 47 state tournaments and won 22 state championships; and

Whereas, the team represents a microcosm of the entire DeLaSalle student body, the most diverse private high school in Minnesota – defined by every possible demographic including socio-economics, race, neighborhood, and family background. The 22 players and managers on the team came to DeLaSalle from 18 different grade schools, parochial and public, including every neighborhood in Minneapolis; and

Whereas, all six Islander seniors have been accepted to colleges. During Coach Dave Thorson's career at DeLaSalle, every senior has matriculated to college; and

Whereas, in alphabetical order, the team's roster included J.T. Baker, Dominic Bledsoe, Sage Booker, Jack Borman, Christian Dickson, Phillip England, Max Fleming, Cooper Gooley, Robert Hannah, Will Irvin, Samm Jones, Gabe Kalscheur, Malik Lamin, Goanar Mar, Austin McGeheran, Demario McGowan, Rayquan Moore, Patrick Podewils, Jaimison Short, Tyrell Terry, Cole Tesch-Stevson, and Kevin Wesseh; and

Whereas, in alphabetical order, the team's assistant coaching staff included Todd Anderson, David Collier '99, Nicholas Grue '98, C.J. Hallman '02, Johnell Hallman '04, Tim Mieure, and Dan Rubischko. The team's trainer was Cindy Schlafman, and the strength coach was Chris Hartmann.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That the City of Minneapolis congratulates the DeLaSalle boys' basketball team and coaches for winning the 2016 Class AAA State Championship.

Committee: N/A Public Hearing: N/A Publication: APR 09 2016

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE				
MEMBER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
REICH	X			
GORDON	X			
FREY	X			
B. JOHNSON	X			
YANG	X			
WARSAME	X			
GOODMAN	X			
GLIDDEN	X			
CANO	X			
BENDER	X			
QUINCY	X			
A. JOHNSON	X			
PALMISANO	X			
DATE:	APR 01 2016			

APPROVED  VETOED

  
MAYOR HODGES  
APR 04 2016  
DATE

Certified an official action of the City Council  
ATTEST:  
  
CITY CLERK

Presented to the Mayor:	APR 01 2016	Received from the Mayor:	APR 06 2016
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