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SENATE RESOLUTION
COMMENDING THE BOONEVILLE BEARCATS FOR THEIR
WINNING SEASON.
Subtitle
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THEIR WINNING SEASON.
WHEREAS, not content to just reach the state championship game after
semi-final losses the previous two years, the Booneville Bearcats captured
the 2000 Class AAA State Championship over Nashville on December 9 with a
score of 29-21; and
WHEREAS, the win for the Bearcats was their school record 14 th of the
season against a lone defeat, and nine wins in a row; and
WHEREAS, the Bearcats are true road warriors, having qualified for the
state championship game after successive road victories over Lonoke, DeQueen,
and McGehee after opening the playoffs at home by beating Pulaski Oak Grove;
and
WHEREAS, combined in the three games played on enemy turf, the Bearcats
and their fans traveled over one thousand miles to reach the hallowed grounds
of War Memorial Stadium for the state championship; and
WHEREAS, the teams the Bearcats beat in winning the school's second
state football title have won ten state championships including the last two;
and



WHEREAS, including a playoff run in which the Booneville Bearcats outscored their opponents 182-41 in the playoffs, the Bearcats bettered their opponents by 402 combined points, 566-164; and WHEREAS, Les Nuckolls gained 1280 yards on 117 carries, an amazing 10.9 yards per attempt, while scoring 19 touchdowns; and WHEREAS, John Chase also gained 1,014 yards rushing for the Bearcats; and WHEREAS, Most Valuable Player Will Swint lead the Bearcats in receiving with 36 receptions over 551 yards and seven touchdowns, three of which were in the title game; and WHEREAS, the success of the Bearcats is a direct tribute to Head Coach Kenneth Rippy, NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: That the Booneville Bearcats are hereby commended for their winning season.

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