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HR 1018

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5 By: Representatives Hammer, Clemmer

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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 COMMENDING COACH KAREN HILBORN FOR HER SELFLESS  
9 DEDICATION TO THE CHEERLEADERS OF BENTON HIGH SCHOOL  
10 AND FOR LEADING THEM TO STATE AND NATIONAL  
11 CHAMPIONSHIPS.

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14 **Subtitle**

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16 SELFLESS DEDICATION TO THE CHEERLEADERS  
17 OF BENTON HIGH SCHOOL AND FOR LEADING  
18 THEM TO STATE AND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS.

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21 WHEREAS, Karen Hilborn has been a dedicated teacher in the Benton  
22 School District for 25 years and for the last 16 years has served as coach  
23 for the Benton High School Cheerleaders, working an enormous number of extra  
24 hours without complaint; and

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26 WHEREAS, Karen Hilborn has given selflessly of her own time to provide  
27 the Benton High School cheerleading squad with the opportunity to achieve  
28 excellence and has led them to national prominence; and

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30 WHEREAS, under Karen Hilborn's tutelage, the Benton High School  
31 Cheerleaders have won 2 national championship titles and 8 state  
32 championships, in addition to 1 national runner-up title; and

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34 WHEREAS, Karen Hilborn has twice been named Arkansas Outstanding Cheer  
35 Coach of the Year by the Arkansas High School Coaches Association; and

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1           WHEREAS, Karen Hilborn has instilled in her students a pride in  
2 academics as well as athletics; and

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4           WHEREAS, Karen Hilborn works tirelessly to prevent injuries in an  
5 injury-prone sport by following safety rules set forth by the National  
6 Cheerleaders Association, the Universal Cheerleaders Association, and the  
7 Arkansas Activities Association, and by maintaining a year-round conditioning  
8 program for her athletes; and

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10          WHEREAS, Karen Hilborn encourages her athletes to set high goals and  
11 equips them with the skills to achieve those goals, qualities that will  
12 benefit her students throughout their lives; and

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14          WHEREAS, Karen Hilborn motivates and inspires the Benton High School  
15 Cheerleaders to represent their school and community in a positive light; and

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17          WHEREAS, several student athletes who have had the privilege of being  
18 coached by Karen Hilborn have received college cheer scholarships or have  
19 been selected to cheer at colleges that do not offer such scholarships,

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21 NOW THEREFORE,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE EIGHTY-NINTH GENERAL  
23 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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25          THAT the House of Representatives expresses sincere appreciation to  
26 Karen Hilborn for her outstanding contributions to the students of Benton  
27 High School, and particularly to the Benton High School Cheerleaders, and  
28 commends Coach Hilborn for her dedication to instilling in her athletes a  
29 desire to achieve excellence through hard work.

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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon its adoption a copy of this resolution be  
32 presented to Karen Hilborn and mailed to the Principal and the Athletic  
33 Director of Benton High School.