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HR 1097

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5 By: Representative Duke
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8 HOUSE RESOLUTION

9 TO RECOGNIZE THE GRAVETTE HIGH SCHOOL LIONS WRESTLING
10 TEAM AS THE 2025 CLASS 4A STATE CHAMPIONS.
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18 WHEREAS, the Gravette High School Lions wrestling team won the 2025
19 Class 4A state championship held February 28 and March 1, 2025, at the Jack
20 Stephens Center at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock; and
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22 WHEREAS, this was a back-to-back state championship win for the Lions,
23 reflecting their discipline, preparation, and teamwork that have defined the
24 program since it began just four (4) years ago; and
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26 WHEREAS, the Lions won the championship with one hundred seventy-four
27 (174.0) points and twenty (20) pins, and ranked as the high point team in all
28 classes; and
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30 WHEREAS, the Lions finished the season with an overall record of
31 sixteen wins and seven losses (16-7) and a Class 4A conference record of
32 eleven wins and one loss (11-1); and
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34 WHEREAS, Lions team members include seniors Logan Miller, Kelton
35 McDougal, Aiden Holloway, Jacob Gaylord, Eli Keith, Cutter Franks, Jackson
36 Patton, Tasi Benavente, and Litzy Garcia, juniors Porter Bird, Logan Wolf,



1 and Nadiyah Thornton, sophomore Payton Burnett, Jacob Worley, and Matua
2 Benavente, and freshman Jackson Moretto as well as managers Cameron Moore,
3 Keira Ralph, Emma Ensor, Karlie Tucker, Josie Harris, and Marly Miller; and
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5 WHEREAS, senior Logan Miller earned the rank of Champion at the state
6 tournament; and
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8 WHEREAS, upon the championship win, after battling a knee injury
9 throughout the tournament, Logan Miller joined an elite group of only
10 thirteen (13) Arkansas wrestlers to win four (4) state championships; and
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12 WHEREAS, Logan Miller had thirty-eight wins and six losses (38-6)
13 during the season, and finished his high school career with an overall record
14 of one hundred thirty-five wins and twenty-seven losses (135-27); and
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16 WHEREAS, eleven (11) Lions team members earned All-State Honors at the
17 championship, with standout contributions from Payton Burnett, Kelton
18 McDougal, Eli Keith, Jacob Worley, Jackson Patton, Cutter Franks, Jacob
19 Gaylord, Logan Wolf, Tasi Benavente, and Porter Bird; and
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21 WHEREAS, Kelton McDougal and Jackson Patton earned runner-up finishes;
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24 WHEREAS, Payton Burnett, Eli Keith, Cutter Franks, Jacob Gaylord, Tasi
25 Benavente, Jackson Moretto, and Porter Bird earned third-place medals; and
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27 WHEREAS, Logan Wolf was a fourth place finisher; and
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29 WHEREAS, the Lions were led by Coaches A.J. Herrlein, Chris Weller,
30 Greg Miller, and B.J. Herrlein as well as trainer Bry McLaughlin; and
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32 WHEREAS, Coach A.J. Herrlein said of the season and the win, "This
33 championship means so much because of what it took to get here. Every
34 wrestler on this team played a role in getting us to the top",
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36 NOW THEREFORE,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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4 THAT the House of Representatives recognize the Gravette High School
5 Lions wrestling team as the 2025 Class 4A state champions.

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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be
8 presented to Coach A.J. Herrlein by the Chief Clerk of the House of
9 Representatives.

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