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A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating the Philadelphia Eagles on their stunning victory
2 over the New England Patriots in Super Bowl LII.

3 WHEREAS, The Philadelphia Eagles, a professional football
4 team in the National Football League, were founded in 1933; and

5 WHEREAS, The Eagles won national championships in 1948, 1949
6 and 1960, but never a Super Bowl title prior to the 2017-2018
7 season; and

8 WHEREAS, Under the leadership and direction of Head Coach
9 Doug Pederson, the 2017-2018 Eagles exhibited a cohesive team
10 spirit; and

11 WHEREAS, Despite long odds and a season marred by injuries,
12 including a season-ending knee injury to starting quarterback
13 and team captain Carson Wentz, the Eagles fought hard for every
14 win and finished the regular season with a 13-3 record, gaining
15 the number one playoff seed; and

16 WHEREAS, Even as the number one seed, the Eagles were labeled

1 the underdogs in their first playoff game against the Atlanta
2 Falcons; and

3 WHEREAS, Nonetheless, the Eagles persevered and won a narrow
4 but well-earned victory to advance to the National Football
5 Conference Championship; and

6 WHEREAS, Backup quarterback Nick Foles stepped up and led the
7 offense to win from behind against the Los Angeles Rams after
8 Carson Wentz was injured, and continued to do so into the
9 postseason, culminating with his selection as the Super Bowl LII
10 Most Valuable Player; and

11 WHEREAS, The number-one-ranked defense, led by Malcolm
12 Jenkins, Fletcher Cox and Chris Long, displayed a highly
13 adaptive style of play, ending in a game-winning strip-sack by
14 Brandon Graham in the final minutes of Super Bowl LII; and

15 WHEREAS, Off the field, the team members were leaders in the
16 community, advocating for criminal justice reform at the State
17 Capitol and raising more than \$100,000 for Philadelphia schools
18 through the sale of underdog t-shirts; and

19 WHEREAS, Faced with a close game against the defending World
20 Champion New England Patriots, the Eagles once again displayed
21 their grit, determination and preparation as a team, delivering
22 a near-perfect performance in their 41-33 victory; and

23 WHEREAS, In proudly adopting and embodying their underdog
24 status with their motto "we all we got, we all we need," the
25 Eagles proved that hard work and dedication as a unified team,
26 rather than several star players, can lift underdogs to victory;
27 and

28 WHEREAS, The team has inspired all Philadelphians to work
29 harder, get involved in their communities and band together
30 toward a common goal; therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That the Senate congratulate the entire
2 Philadelphia Eagles organization, including owner, Jeffrey
3 Lurie, and Vice President of Football Operations, Howie Roseman,
4 on their stunning victory over the New England Patriots in Super
5 Bowl LII; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the Philadelphia Eagles for
7 their hard work, team spirit and dedication, both on the field
8 and in the community.