HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 21 BY DOLECHECK and MOORE

1 A Resolution recognizing and congratulating the Southwestern Community College men's basketball team 2 and program on its outstanding regional and national 3 4 athletic achievements. 5 WHEREAS, the Southwestern Community College men's 6 basketball team (the Spartans) broke a school record 7 for wins in a season with a 36-1 record for the 8 2016-2017 basketball season; and WHEREAS, the Spartans held the number one ranking 9 10 in the National Junior College Athlete Association 11 (NJCAA) National Polls for six weeks, including the 12 final regular season poll; and 13 WHEREAS, the Spartans won the regular season and 14 postseason NJCAA Division II Region XI Champion title, 15 qualifying for their first national tournament trip 16 since 1999; and 17 WHEREAS, the Spartans secured their first national 18 championship with a 77-53 win over Louisburg College on 19 March 25, 2017, in Danville, Illinois; and WHEREAS, that victory gave the Spartans the title 20 21 of 2017 NJCAA Division II National Men's Basketball 22 Champions; and 23 WHEREAS, freshman Broderic Thomas, sophomore KeShawn 24 Wilson, and sophomore Jordan Johnson were voted onto 25 the NJCAA Division II All Region First Team; and WHEREAS, nine players on the Spartan team were named 26 27 to NJCAA Division II Academic All Region Teams; and 28 WHEREAS, Head Coach Todd Lorensen was named NJCAA

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1 Division II National Coach of the Year; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That the House of Representatives recognizes and congratulates the Southwestern Community College men's basketball team and program on its outstanding regional and national athletic achievements; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to Southwestern Community College Men's Basketball Team Head Coach Todd Lorensen and Southwestern Community College President Barbara Crittenden.