

The Speaker, on behalf of the entire House of Representatives, offered the following resolution:

**House Resolution No. 455.**

A resolution to honor the Detroit Shock for winning the 2008 Women's National Basketball Association's Championship Title.

Whereas, The Detroit Shock successfully claimed its third WNBA Championship Title. They are to be congratulated for their determination and overwhelming skill by defeating the San Antonio Silver Stars for the championship win on October 5, 2008; and

Whereas, In a display of talent on the road to the finals, the Detroit Shock brought home its third championship title in just six years; and

Whereas, In memorable and determined playoff fashion, the Detroit Shock defeated rivals the Indiana Fever and the New York Liberty in an epic march to the WNBA finals championship; and

Whereas, In the WNBA championship finals, the Detroit Shock, after a stunning 22-12 season, swept the San Antonio Silver Stars in memorable fashion; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body honor and congratulate the 2008 WNBA title champions, the Detroit Shock; and be it further

Resolved, That we congratulate the Detroit Shock Head Coach Bill Laimbeer who has led the Shock to three WNBA championship titles; and be it further

Resolved, That we congratulate center Katie Smith, the first women's professional basketball player to score 6,000 points and the 2008 WNBA Playoff Most Valuable Player; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Detroit Shock Owner William Davidson, Vice President of Operations Craig Turnbull, Head Coach Bill Lambeer and his entire coaching staff, the outstanding players, and the entire Detroit Shock organization as evidence of our highest esteem and congratulations.