

DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Resolution

**HONORING SOUTHERN SCHOOL OF ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY
2026 BOYS BASKETBALL SEASON**

- WHEREAS,** on March 14, 2026, the Southern School of Energy and Sustainability’s Spartans basketball team defeated Mooresville High School to win the NCHSAA 7A State Championship, held in Winston Salem at the Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum; and
- WHEREAS,** that 54-47 victory marked the Spartans’ first state basketball title in Southern School’s history; and
- WHEREAS,** led by a solid record of excellence from Head Coach Greg Motley, Southern finished the season with a 28-3 overall record; and
- WHEREAS,** several players earned distinguished recognitions, including Keyonee Terry, who was named the Most Valuable Player of the state championship game; A.J. Morman Jr., who was honored as the Most Outstanding Player for the East Team; and Martin Ashley, who received the Sportsmanship Award; and
- WHEREAS,** the championship game’s leading scorers were A.J. Morman Jr. with 16 points, Keyonee Terry with 13 points, and Martin Ashley with 10 points; and
- WHEREAS,** we congratulate the team for demonstrating exceptional skill, effort, and teamwork throughout the season, culminating in a remarkable come from behind victory over their opponent to secure the championship.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Durham County Board of Commissioners do hereby salute Coach Greg Motley, his coaching staff, and members of the 2026 Southern School of Energy and Sustainability Boys Basketball Team becoming the 2026 NCHSAA 7A state Champions.

We call upon all citizens in Durham County to join in celebrating these outstanding student athletes and the athletic staff for a fantastic job and historic school accomplishment!

This the 13th day of April 2026.

Dr. Mike Lee, Chair

Nida Allam, Vice Chair

Michelle Burton, Commissioner

Wendy Jacobs, Commissioner

Stephen Valentine, Commissioner

