

HONORING CLASS 4A STATE CHAMPION GOLFER DRAKE MERRITT

WHEREAS: The City of Jonesboro is blessed with student athletes from various sports known for both their academic and athletic excellence; and

WHEREAS: Among all the awards and honors bestowed upon these athletes, the distinction of State Champion ranks at the pinnacle of achievement; and

WHEREAS: Drake Merritt, a junior at Valley View High School has earned the title of Class 4A State Champion as in individual golfer; and

WHEREAS: Drake was also a member of the Class 4A State and Class 4A-3 District Champion Golf Team, and has competed and won on multiple levels throughout his career including being Runner-Up Medalist as both a sophomore and a junior in the District 4A-3 Tournament; being named All-State both as a sophomore and a junior; and finishing 4th in the 2010 Overall State Individual Golf Tournament; and

WHEREAS: Drake began playing golf at the age of 11; competed on the Valley View Golf Team as a freshman; began playing on the Junior PGA Tour as a sophomore; and became the first Valley View golfer to hit a hole-in-one during a school match when he was a sophomore;

NOW THEREFORE, I Harold Perrin, by the authority duly vested in me by the citizens of Jonesboro and the State of Arkansas, do hereby recognize and honor the

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For his efforts and accomplishments, congratulating him on a job well done and wishing him much success in the future.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Jonesboro this 19th day of October in the year of our Lord 2010.

Harold Perrin, Mayor