PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULTING THE SAPULPA HIGH SCHOOL DANCE TEAM AS 2023 DANCE TEAM UNION NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2023, the Sapulpa High School Ping Ping Dance Team won the Dance Team Union (DTU) 2023 National Championship Titles in Large Varsity Team Performance and Small Varsity High Kick; and

WHEREAS, the Sapulpa Ping Pings ended their 2022-2023 season with two (2) National titles, and two (2) Oklahoma State Dance Team Directors Association (OSDTDA) titles; and

WHEREAS, the Sapulpa Ping Ping varsity roster includes Ping Senior captains: Ella Chaffin, Kelsi Shibley, Kiley Sontag; Juniors: Belle Cothren, Kate DeLoache, Acree Ernst, Brooke Latham, Kenzie Scott, Emma Williams; Sophomores: Laney Jones, Jayden Simpson, Evie Soares, Evie Walling, Bailey Webb, Paisley Williams; Freshmen: Brynlee Clingenpeel, Peyton Leonard, Shirin Mortazavi, Brynlee Pinson, Jordyn Pulley

WHEREAS, the Sapulpa Ping Dance Team were led to victory by Head Coach Molly Heritage, and Assistant Coach Jennifer Reutlinger; and;

WHEREAS, the Sapulpa Ping Ping Dance Team now hold National Championship Titles for the 2020 Varsity Team Performance, and 2022 Large Varsity Team Performance and Small Varsity High Kick, and 2023 Large Varsity Team Performance and Small, Varsity Kick, a first in the programs over fifty (50) year history; and

WHEREAS, the Sapulpa Ping Ping Dance Team also hold State Champion titles in 5A High Kick, Mix, and Overall High Point Winners for the 2022-2023 season, for a total of thirteen (13) state titles since 2017; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 Ping Ping championship team brought great honor, not only to themselves, but also to their school, families, and the entire community of Sapulpa; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sapulpa wishes to congratulate all those involved with this outstanding dance team, including the performers, coaches, and parents; and

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Sapulpa, Oklahoma, also desires to publicly recognize the hard work, dedication, and accomplishments of the Sapulpa Ping Ping Dance Team, by issuance of an appropriate proclamation within the City of Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

NOW THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council does hereby recognize and congratulate the young women of the 2022-2023 Sapulpa High School Ping Ping Dance Team, for their dedication, skill, teamwork, and sportsmanship, and that a copy of this Proclamation be made a permanent part of the official records of the City of Sapulpa and that a copy be suitably prepared and presented to the team in recognition of their outstanding achievement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Sapulpa of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed this 3rd day of April, 2023.

Shirley Burzio, City Clerk