

**RESOLUTION No. 16-251**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council and the Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are apprised that the Oakwood University Ambassadors men's basketball team defeated the Concordia College Alabama Hornets men's basketball team with a score of 80-65, winning the 2016 United States Collegiate Athletic Association's (USCAA) Men's Division I National Championship, held in Uniontown, Pennsylvania on March 5, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oakwood University Ambassadors defeated Florida National in the quarterfinal, and Rochester College in the semifinal; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Oakwood University Ambassadors made a commitment to God First; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Oakwood University Ambassadors shot over 50% from the floor, including 57% in their 50 point second half in the national championship game; and,

**WHEREAS**, Oakwood University senior Brandon Daniel led the team with 19 points and was named the division's Most Valuable Player; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Oakwood University Ambassadors secured their third national championship since entering the Association in 2008, also winning again in 2012; and,

**WHEREAS**, Juwane Damon was one of 23 student athletes awarded a place on the National All-Academic team for having a GPA of 3.5 or higher; and,

**WHEREAS**, Ryan Williams was named the USCAA Slam Dunk Contest winner; and,

**WHEREAS**, Ronnie Abrams was named to the All-Tournament Team.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, acknowledge, congratulate, and extend best wishes to the Oakwood University Ambassadors Men's Basketball Team on their victory during the 2016 United States Collegiate Athletic Association's (USCAA) Men's Division I National Championship. May you have continued success in all future endeavors.

**ADOPTED** this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

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President of the City Council of the  
City of Huntsville, Alabama

**APPROVED** this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

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Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama