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**MAYOR EMANUEL ON PHILLIPS ACADEMY'S 51-7 VICTORY IN THE ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION'S STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**

"Before today, no Chicago Public Schools football team had ever won a state title. Tonight, the Phillips Academy Wildcats ended that drought. They have proven to be the true definition of perseverance and determination. More importantly, they are the definition of 'team.' Tonight, we celebrate them as the pride of Bronzeville and all of Chicago. Congratulations to Coach Troy McAllister and his team on not only a perfect season, but on securing a spot in Illinois' sports history."

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