

As Adopted by the Senate

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S. R. No. 411

Senator Gentile

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Waterford High School girls basketball team
as the 2016 Division IV State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the Waterford High
School girls basketball team on winning the 2016 Division IV State
Championship; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members of
the Waterford High School girls basketball team have combined
talent and competitive spirit with the highest ideals of good
sportsmanship to establish themselves as a truly exceptional
squad. With admirable dedication, the Wildcats have worked
diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency in basketball,
and as a result, they defeated a tough St. Wendelin team by the
score of 29-27 to win this year's Division IV State Championship
title and finished the season with an impressive 28-1 record; and

WHEREAS, The Wildcats' achievements and leadership are a
justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on the
players, their families, their school, their community, and their
coach. The success of any athletic endeavor depends largely on the
ability of the coach to provide both guidance and inspiration, and
in leading his team to victory, Coach Jerry Close has not only
helped each athlete to develop her talents to the fullest but also
instilled in each a valuable sense of determination, perseverance,
and camaraderie; and

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important
role in the total education of our young people, we are extremely
pleased to pay tribute to these exemplary athletes and their
outstanding coach for a job well done. The maturity and experience
the team members have gained through their participation in sports

will greatly aid them in meeting the challenges of the future; 28
therefore be it 29

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 30
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the 31
Waterford High School girls basketball team on its tremendous 32
2015-2016 season and salute the players and coach as some of 33
Ohio's finest citizens; and be it further 34

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 35
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Waterford High School 36
girls basketball team. 37