

As Adopted by the Senate

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S. R. No. 429

Senator Faber

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Xavier Simpson on being named the 2016 Ohio Mr.
Basketball.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to commend Xavier Simpson on
receiving the 2016 Ohio Mr. Basketball Award from The Associated
Press; and

WHEREAS, Xavier Simpson's outstanding ability and spirited
drive, as well as his quickness and tenacity, have distinguished
him as a superior athlete. During the 2016 season, he averaged
27.2 points, 6.6 assists, 3.9 steals, and 3.9 rebounds per game,
and he helped the Spartans secure second place at this year's
Division I State Tournament. Receiving All-Ohio Division I first-
team honors as its Player of the Year this season, he has gained
the admiration and respect of all those who have witnessed him in
action, including his father and coach, Quincey Simpson; and

WHEREAS, In displaying such exceptional prowess as a senior
member of the Lima Senior High School boys basketball team, Xavier
Simpson has earned the appreciation of his fellow athletes, the
devotion of countless fans, and the respect of even his most
determined rivals. Competition in athletics has enabled him to
learn much about dedication and self-discipline, and we take this
opportunity to acknowledge his exceptional record of achievement;
and

WHEREAS, Basketball is a sport that requires exceptional
stamina and natural ability, and Xavier Simpson is to be applauded
for his commitment to this demanding activity. In attaining his
athletic goals, he has consistently exhibited the skill and
integrity that are the hallmarks of a true champion; therefore be
it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 28
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, pay tribute 29
to Xavier Simpson on his outstanding performance in basketball 30
this season and extend best wishes for the future; and be it 31
further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 33
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Xavier Simpson. 34