

As Adopted by the House

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H. R. No. 183

Representative Romanchuk

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Lexington High School boys 4x400-meter relay team as the 2017 Division II State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 1
132nd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to commend the 2
Lexington High School boys 4x400-meter relay team on securing the 3
2017 Division II State Championship title; and 4

WHEREAS, Each member of the Lexington High School boys 4x400- 5
meter relay team is an excellent young athlete, and because of 6
their fantastic efforts, the team won this year's Division II 7
State Championship title, beating the competition with an 8
astounding time of 3:20.17. The unwavering commitment demonstrated 9
by the members and coaches has earned them the esteem of many, and 10
they are certainly deserving of high praise; and 11

WHEREAS, Coach Ralph Baker and his assistant coaches, Dan 12
Wittmer and Denise Benson, have exhibited remarkable energy, 13
enthusiasm, and dedication in guiding the Lexington High School 14
boys 4x400-meter relay team to victory, and their skill is 15
reflected in the squad's outstanding accomplishment. Due largely 16
to their tireless efforts, the team members, including Mason 17
Kearns, Tony Gerrell, Forest Volz, and Hunter Biddle, have 18
established themselves as winners, both in and out of athletic 19
competition, and for their stalwart commitment and support, Coach 20
Baker and his staff have gained the respect and admiration of all 21
who know them; and 22

WHEREAS, In an educational system that seeks to teach the 23
future leaders of our state and nation the fundamentals of self- 24
reliance and the rewards of individual and group effort, athletic 25
competition has become a valuable tool. Through their 26
participation in sports, the runners of the Lexington High School 27

boys 4x400-meter relay team have learned lessons of discipline, 28
perseverance, hard work, and good sportsmanship that will 29
undoubtedly be of great benefit to them throughout their lives; 30
therefore be it 31

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 32
Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 33
this Resolution, pay tribute to the Lexington High School boys 34
4x400-meter relay team for exemplary achievement and extend best 35
wishes for the years to come; and be it further 36

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 37
transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the 38
Lexington High School boys 4x400-meter relay team. 39