

**As Introduced**

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**S. R. No. 9**

**Senator Tavares**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring the Bishop Hartley High School football team on  
winning the 2016 Division IV State Championship.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General 1  
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to the 2  
Bishop Hartley High School football team as the 2016 Division IV 3  
State Champion; and 4

WHEREAS, The talented Bishop Hartley High School football 5  
team is worthy of acknowledgement, for it has decisively earned 6  
the 2016 Division IV state title and accumulated a memorable 13-1 7  
record, the measure of an outstanding collective effort by a truly 8  
gifted group of athletes. Without exception, the Hawks prepared 9  
conscientiously in pursuit of the championship, and despite 10  
sometimes grueling pressure, these standouts consistently 11  
maintained their composure and morale in every challenging 12  
encounter; and 13

WHEREAS, The members of the Bishop Hartley High School 14  
football team have epitomized the power, poise, and precision of 15  
superlative performance that can only be demonstrated by genuine 16  
champions. To his credit, Coach Brad Burchfield has guided the 17  
squad with unwavering expertise and encouragement, and he merits 18  
enthusiastic praise for coaxing admirable performances out of his 19  
players in each competitive outing. Time and again, the Hawks have 20  
risen to the occasion, amply demonstrating their unflagging 21  
determination, maturity, and finesse, and have earned widespread 22  
respect, even among their staunchest rivals; and 23

WHEREAS, By weathering a rigorous schedule and prevailing 24  
over numerous adversaries, the members of the Bishop Hartley High 25  
School football team have learned much about dedication and 26

perseverance. Their first-place finish reflects their strong 27  
commitment to the sport, and their dynamic season has made their 28  
families, friends, and coaches extremely proud. This triumph 29  
attests to the steadfast resolve of these young men, and it 30  
signifies the acquisition of valuable experience that is sure to 31  
benefit them in later life; therefore be it 32

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 33  
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud the 34  
Bishop Hartley High School football team for its brilliant 35  
achievements and wish its members continued success in all of 36  
their future endeavors; and be it further 37

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 38  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Bishop Hartley High 39  
School football team. 40