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Representative Sweeney

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the St. Joseph Academy girls rugby team on
winning the 2016 Division I National and State
championships.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 1
131st General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the St. 2
Joseph Academy girls rugby team as the 2016 Division I National 3
and State champion; and 4

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members 5
of the St. Joseph Academy girls rugby team have combined talent 6
and competitive spirit with the highest ideals of good 7
sportsmanship to establish themselves as a truly exceptional 8
squad. With admirable dedication, the Jaguars have worked 9
diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency in rugby, and as 10
a result, they defeated a tough Summit team by the score of 29-14 11
to win this year's Division I National Championship, overcame the 12
Lakewood team by the score of 54-7 to secure their fourth 13
consecutive Division I State Championship, their seventh such 14
title overall, and finished the season with an impressive 14-1 15
record; and 16

WHEREAS, The Jaguars' achievements and leadership are a 17
justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on the 18
players, their families, their school, their community, and their 19
coach. The success of any athletic endeavor depends largely on the 20
ability of the coach to provide both guidance and inspiration, and 21
in leading her team to victory, Coach Jaime Cleary has not only 22
helped each athlete to develop her talents to the fullest but also 23
instilled in each a valuable sense of determination, perseverance, 24
and camaraderie; and 25

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important 26
role in the total education of our young people, we are extremely 27
pleased to pay tribute to these exemplary athletes and their 28
outstanding coach for a job well done. The maturity and experience 29
the team members have gained through their participation in sports 30
will greatly aid them in meeting the challenges of the future; 31
therefore be it 32

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 33
Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 34
this Resolution, commend the St. Joseph Academy girls rugby team 35
as the 2016 Division I National and State champion and salute the 36
players and coach as some of Ohio's finest citizens; and be it 37
further 38

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 39
transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the St. 40
Joseph Academy girls rugby team. 41