

As Adopted by the Senate

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S. R. No. 391

Senator Williams

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the St. Ignatius High School ice hockey team on
winning the 2016 State Championship.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General 1
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to the St. Ignatius 2
High School ice hockey team as the 2016 State Champion; and 3

WHEREAS, The talented St. Ignatius High School ice hockey 4
team is to be heartily commended, for by defeating a tough 5
University School squad, it has decisively earned this year's 6
State Championship title. The 4-3 victory of the Wildcats, which 7
capped a remarkable 8
38-2-1 season, reflects an outstanding collective effort by a 9
gifted group of athletes. Without exception, they had prepared 10
conscientiously in pursuit of their fourth state crown in program 11
history, devoting countless hours to training and practice in 12
order to ensure peak conditioning, and clearly, this demanding 13
regimen has paid handsome dividends; and 14

WHEREAS, The members of the St. Ignatius High School ice 15
hockey team have epitomized the power, poise, and precision that 16
befit true champions. To their credit, Coach Patrick O'Rourke has 17
guided the squad with unwavering expertise and encouragement, and 18
he merits enthusiastic praise for coaxing admirable performances 19
out of the Wildcats in each competitive outing. Despite sometimes 20
grueling pressure, they have consistently maintained their 21
composure and morale, exhibiting strength, speed, stamina, and 22
agility in every challenging encounter. Time and again, they have 23
risen to the occasion, amply demonstrating their unflagging 24
determination, and their impressive maturity and finesse have 25
gained them widespread respect, even among their most formidable 26
rivals; and 27

WHEREAS, By weathering a rigorous schedule and prevailing 28
over a host of adversaries, the members of the St. Ignatius High 29
School ice hockey team have learned much about dedication, self- 30
discipline, leadership, and perseverance. Their first-place finish 31
is a measure of their stalwart commitment to the sport, and their 32
indomitable spirit has made their families, friends, and coach 33
extremely proud. This triumph attests to the staunch resolve of 34
these young men, and it signifies the acquisition of valuable 35
experience that is sure to benefit them in later life; therefore 36
be it 37

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 38
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud the 39
St. Ignatius High School ice hockey team on its brilliant season 40
and wish its members and coach continued success in all of their 41
future endeavors; and be it further 42

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 43
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the St. Ignatius High 44
School ice hockey team. 45