

As Adopted by the Senate

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Senator Hite

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Defiance High School baseball team on winning
the 2016 Division II State Championship.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the Defiance High
School baseball team as the 2016 Division II State Champion; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members of
the Defiance High School baseball team have combined talent and
competitive spirit with the highest ideals of good sportsmanship
to establish themselves as a truly exceptional squad. With
admirable dedication, the Bulldogs have worked diligently toward
attaining ultimate proficiency in baseball, and as a result, they
defeated a tough Badin team by the score of 3-2 to secure this
year's Division II State Championship and finished the season with
an impressive 29-2 record; and

WHEREAS, The Bulldogs' achievements and leadership are a
justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on the
players, their families, their school, their community, and their
coach. The success of any athletic endeavor depends largely on the
ability of the coach to provide both guidance and inspiration, and
in leading his team to victory, Coach Tom Held has not only helped
each athlete to develop his talents to the fullest but also
instilled in each a valuable sense of determination, perseverance,
and camaraderie; and

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

therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 29
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the 30
Defiance High School baseball team on its Division II State 31
Championship and salute the players and coach as some of Ohio's 32
finest citizens; and be it further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 34
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Defiance High School 35
baseball team. 36