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Senator Skindell

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Padua Franciscan High School girls volleyball 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 extend special recognition to the Padua Franciscan High School girls volleyball team as the 2016 Division II State Champion; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of athletes, the members of the Padua Franciscan High School girls volleyball 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 Bruins have worked diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency in volleyball, and as a result, they defeated a tough Bishop Hartley team by the score of 25-17, 25-17, 25-20 to win this year's Division II State Championship, their fourth such title since 2008; and

WHEREAS, The Bruins' achievements and leadership are a justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on the players, their families, their school, their community, and their mentor. 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 James BeHarry has not only helped each athlete to develop her 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 participation in sports will

greatly aid them in meeting the challenges of the future; 28
therefore be it 29

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 30
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud the 31
Padua Franciscan High School girls volleyball team on its 32
tremendous season and salute the players and coach as fine 33
citizens; and be it further 34

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 35
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Padua Franciscan High 36
School girls volleyball team. 37