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Representative LaTourette

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the West Geauga High School Academic Decathlon team on winning the 2017 State Championship in the novice division.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to commend the West Geauga High School Academic Decathlon team as the 2017 State Champion in the novice division; and

WHEREAS, All those associated with the West Geauga High School Academic Decathlon team are deserving of praise for their ability to excel in many pursuits and to meet challenges with enthusiasm and confidence. Under the leadership of their coach, Ben Speros, the members of the squad devoted countless hours to rigorous training in order to be in peak mental condition, and consequently, they placed first in the novice division at this year's state competition; and

WHEREAS, Competitive spirit and innovative effort have played major roles in the development of our country. The drive to excel is best developed when youth are presented with trials that permit them to test their skills, knowledge, and strengths against their peers; and

WHEREAS, With their vitality, intelligence, and positive outlook, West Geauga High School Academic Decathlon team members Hannah Barker, Angela Volcensek, Alexander Novitski, Antonio Linek, David Dela-Cruz, and Marianna Valdez-Punales have set an example worthy of emulation. We encourage these young individuals to continue to strive for excellence so that they may assume a meaningful and productive role in our complex society; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 26
Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 27
this Resolution, pay tribute to the West Geauga High School 28
Academic Decathlon team on its 2017 State Championship and salute 29
the members and coach as some of Ohio's finest citizens; and be it 30
further 31

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 32
transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the West 33
Gauga High School Academic Decathlon team. 34