

As Introduced

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S. R. No. 561

Senator Peterson



A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Fayette County Special Olympics Dragons
basketball team as the 2018 Division II State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General 1
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to recognize the Fayette County 2
Special Olympics Dragons basketball team on winning the 2018 3
Division II State Championship; and 4

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of athletes, the members of the 5
Fayette County Special Olympics Dragons basketball team have 6
combined talent and competitive spirit with the highest ideals of 7
good sportsmanship to establish themselves as a truly exceptional 8
squad. With admirable dedication, the Dragons have trained 9
diligently in their sport, and as a result, won this year's 10
Division II State Championship with a 59-38 victory over the Darke 11
County Dawgs; and 12

WHEREAS, The achievements and leadership of the Fayette 13
County Special Olympics Dragons basketball team are a justifiable 14
source of pride and an excellent reflection on the members, their 15
families, their community, and their coaches, Brandon Runk and 16
Caleb McKinney. The success of any athletic endeavor depends 17
largely on the ability of the coaches to provide both guidance and 18
inspiration, and in leading their team to victory, Coach Runk and 19
his assistant have not only helped each player to develop his 20
talents to the fullest, but they have also instilled in each a 21
valuable sense of determination, perseverance, and camaraderie; 22
and 23

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important 24
role as our nation's pastime, we are overjoyed to pay tribute to 25
these fine athletes and their outstanding coaches for a job well 26

done. The maturity and experience the members of the Fayette 27
County Special Olympics Dragons basketball team have gained 28
through participation in sports will greatly aid them in meeting 29
the challenges of the future; therefore be it 30

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 31
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the 32
Fayette County Special Olympics Dragons basketball team on its 33
state championship and salute all involved with the squad as 34
exemplary Ohioans; and be it further 35

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 36
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Fayette County 37
Special Olympics Dragons basketball team. 38