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H. R. No. 244

Representative Hillyer

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Eric Toukonen as a member of the Ohio Chapter of
the National Wrestling Hall of Fame Class of 2019.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 1
133rd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate Eric 2
Toukonen on being inducted into the Ohio Chapter of the National 3
Wrestling Hall of Fame Class of 2019; and 4

WHEREAS, Eric Toukonen is deserving of this prestigious 5
honor, which has been accorded to him in recognition of his 6
numerous coaching accomplishments. The former head coach of the 7
Claymont High School wrestling program, he demonstrated remarkable 8
energy, enthusiasm, and dedication in helping his athletes gain 9
confidence, endurance, and strength; and 10

WHEREAS, In his thirty-five-year tenure as a wrestling coach 11
at CHS, Eric Toukonen guided the Mustangs to 27 conference, 28 12
sectional, and 16 district titles, 20 top-ten finishes at state 13
competition, and 3 14
second-place dual honors. In addition, he coached 186 state 15
qualifiers, 93 state placers, 21 state finalists, and 10 state 16
champions, and he is truly deserving of high praise; and 17

WHEREAS, Eric Toukonen's exceptional record of personal and 18
professional attainment stands as a hallmark worthy of emulation, 19
and he motivated countless student-athletes through his leadership 20
and mutual respect, helping prepare them for the mental and 21
physical challenges of the future. The esteem and admiration he 22
has earned throughout his career are clearly evident, and his 23
achievements are a justifiable source of pride and an excellent 24
reflection not only on him but also on his family, his wrestlers, 25
his school, and his community; therefore be it 26

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 27
Representatives of the 133rd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 28
this Resolution, commend Eric Toukonen on his success and salute 29
him as one of Ohio's finest citizens; and be it further 30

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 31
transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to Eric 32
Toukonen. 33