

**As Adopted by the House**

**134th General Assembly  
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**H. R. No. 179**

**Representative McClain**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring the Carey High School football team as the 2021  
Division VI State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 134th 1  
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the Carey High 2  
School football team on winning the 2021 Division VI State 3  
Championship; and 4

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of athletes, the members of the Carey 5  
High School football team have combined talent and competitive spirit 6  
with the highest ideals of good sportsmanship to establish themselves 7  
as a truly exceptional squad. With admirable dedication, the Blue 8  
Devils have worked diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency in 9  
their sport, and as a result, they defeated a tough Coldwater team 10  
with a final score of 26-14 to secure this year's Division VI State 11  
Championship title and finish the season with an outstanding 15-1 12  
record; and 13

WHEREAS, The success of any athletic endeavor depends largely on 14  
the ability of the coaches to provide both guidance and inspiration, 15  
and to his credit, Coach Jonathon Mershman has guided the team with 16  
unwavering expertise and encouragement. Indeed, he merits enthusiastic 17  
praise for coaxing tremendous performances out of the Blue Devils, and 18  
his skill as a mentor, role model, and leader is reflected in an 19  
impressive 2021 season; and 20

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important role 21  
in the total education of our young people, we are pleased to pay 22  
tribute to the fine athletes and committed coaches who comprise the 23  
Carey High School football program for a job well done. The maturity 24  
and experience the players have gained through their participation in 25  
sports will greatly aid them in meeting future challenges; therefore 26

be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 28  
the 134th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 29  
commend the Carey High School football team on its 2021 Division VI 30  
State Championship and praise the players and coaches as some of 31  
Ohio's finest citizens; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 33  
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Carey High School 34  
football team. 35