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A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Hilliard Darby High School Shades of Blue
on winning the 2023 Varsity Vocals International Championship of High
School A Cappella.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 135th 1
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to commend the Hilliard Darby 2
High School Shades of Blue on placing first at the 2023 Varsity Vocals 3
International Championship of High School A Cappella; and 4

WHEREAS, An exceptionally talented ensemble of students from 5
Hilliard Bradley High School, the members of Shades of Blue are 6
deserving of high praise, for they have achieved the balance, blend, 7
and harmony which are the hallmarks of superior performance. As one of 8
only two hundred twelve high school groups selected to participate in 9
the 2023 Varsity Vocals International Championship of High School A 10
Cappella, they faced the challenges of competition with outstanding 11
poise and confidence, and their first-place finish is an excellent 12
reflection not only on them but also on their families, on their 13
school, and on their community; and 14

WHEREAS, Throughout long hours of practice and competition, the 15
members of Shades of Blue have worked tirelessly to master the 16
technical intricacies of a variety of musical pieces, and they can be 17
justifiably proud of their exemplary record of achievement. The 18
initiative, devotion, and hard work they have exhibited in every 19
endeavor will greatly aid them in meeting the challenges of the 20
future; and 21

WHEREAS, Under the direction of their mentors and with the 22
encouragement of a wide group of supporters, the members of Shades of 23
Blue have striven to develop their talents, both individual and 24

collectively, to the fullest. Indeed, these fine vocalists have 25
displayed exceptional commitment, self-discipline, and ability, and 26
they have set a fine example that is worthy of emulation; therefore be 27
it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 29
the 135th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 30
congratulate the Hilliard Darby High School Shades of Blue on its 31
accomplishments and extend best wishes for continued success; and be 32
it further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 34
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Hilliard Darby 35
High School Shades of Blue. 36