

**As Offered**

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**H. R. No. 333**

**Representative Rogers**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring the Central Catholic High School football team  
as the 2023 Division III State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 135th  
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the Central  
Catholic High School football team on winning the 2023 Division III  
State Championship; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members of the  
Central Catholic High School football team have combined talent and  
spirit with the highest ideals of good sportsmanship to establish  
themselves as truly exceptional competitors. With admirable  
dedication, the Fighting Irish have worked diligently toward attaining  
ultimate proficiency in football, and as a result, they defeated a  
tough Bishop Watterson team by the score of 27-7 to win this year's  
Division III State Championship, their second consecutive state title,  
and finished the season with a perfect 16-0 record; and

WHEREAS, The Fighting Irish's achievements and leadership are a  
justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on the  
players, their families, their school, the Toledo community, and their  
coaches. In leading their team to victory, Coach Greg Dempsey and his  
assistants have not only helped the athletes to develop their talents  
to the fullest but also instilled in each a valuable sense of  
determination, perseverance, and camaraderie; and

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important role  
in the total education of our young people, we are extremely pleased  
to pay tribute to these exemplary athletes and their outstanding  
coaches for a job well done. The maturity and experience the team  
members have gained through their participation in sports will greatly  
aid them in meeting the challenges of the future; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 27  
the 135th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 28  
commend the Central Catholic High School football team on its 29  
tremendous season and salute the members and coaches as some of Ohio's 30  
finest citizens; and be it further 31

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 32  
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Central Catholic 33  
High School football team. 34