

As Introduced

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S. R. No. 299

Senator Reineke

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the St. John's Lutheran School boys basketball team as the 2024 All Ohio Lutheran State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 135th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the St. John's Lutheran School boys basketball team on winning the 2024 All Ohio Lutheran State Championship; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members of the St. John's Lutheran School boys basketball team have combined talent and spirit with the highest ideals of good sportsmanship to establish themselves as truly exceptional competitors. With admirable dedication, members Noah Burns, Jackson Firestone, Cody Gallmeyer, Joseph Hatfield, Luke Boehm, Christopher Fisher, Lincoln Firestone, Sam Blumenschein, Eli Botkin, Max Russo, Joshua Murphy, Colson Nageotte, Asher Holsopple, and Nicholas Hawkins have worked diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency in basketball. As a result, the Jaguars defeated a tough St. Paul Westlake squad to win this year's All Ohio Lutheran State Championship, their second such title in program history, and finished the season with an impressive 23-2 record; and

WHEREAS, The Jaguars' achievements and leadership are a justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on the players, their families, their school, their community, and their coaches. In leading their team to victory, Coach Scott Thrush and his assistants, Dan Gallmeyer and Trevor Burns, have not only helped the athletes to develop their talents to the fullest but also instilled in them 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 pleased to pay 27
tribute to these exemplary athletes and their outstanding coaches for 28
a job well done. The maturity and experience the team members have 29
gained through their participation in sports will greatly aid them in 30
meeting the challenges of the future; therefore be it 31

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 135th General 32
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the St. John's 33
Lutheran School boys basketball team on its tremendous season and 34
salute the members and coaches as some of Ohio's finest citizens; and 35
be it further 36

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 37
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the St. John's Lutheran 38
School boys basketball team. 39