

As Adopted by the House

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H. R. No. 367

Representative Callender

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Kirtland High School football team as 1
the 2025 Division VI State Champion. 2

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 136th 3
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the Kirtland High 4
School football team on winning the 2025 Division VI State 5
Championship; and 6

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members of the 7
Kirtland High School football team have combined talent and spirit 8
with the highest ideals of good sportsmanship to establish themselves 9
as truly exceptional competitors. With admirable dedication, the 10
Hornets have worked diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency 11
in football, and as a result, they defeated Hopewell-Loudon by the 12
score of 41-6 to win the 2025 Division VI State Championship, their 13
eighth such title in program history, and finished the season with an 14
impressive 15-0 record; and 15

WHEREAS, The Hornets' achievements and leadership are a 16
justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on the 17
players, their families, their school, their community, and their 18
coach, Tiger LaVerde. In leading his team to victory, Coach LaVerde 19
has not only helped the athletes to develop their talents to the 20
fullest but also instilled in them a valuable sense of determination, 21
perseverance, and camaraderie; and 22

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important role 23
in the total education of our young people, we are extremely pleased 24
to pay tribute to these exemplary athletes and their outstanding coach 25
for a job well done. The maturity and experience the team members have 26
gained through their participation in sports will greatly aid them in 27
meeting the challenges of the future; therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 29
the 136th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 30
commend the Kirtland High School football team on its tremendous 31
season and salute the members and coach as some of Ohio's finest 32
citizens; and be it further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 34
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Kirtland High 35
School football team. 36