

As Introduced

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S. R. No. 435

Senator Antonio

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Team Ohio as the 2026 Special Olympics 1
U.S.A. Games Division 1 gold medalist in 2
basketball. 3

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 136th General Assembly 4
of Ohio are pleased to applaud Team Ohio on winning the 2026 Special 5
Olympics U.S.A. Games Division 1 gold medal in traditional 5v5 6
basketball; and 7

WHEREAS, Team Ohio is made up of remarkable athletes who have 8
worked diligently to showcase the collective talents of their 9
exceptional unit. At the 2026 Special Olympics U.S.A. Games, the 10
players won the traditional 5v5 Division 1 basketball crown with a 11
victory over a tough New Jersey squad, and the members amply 12
demonstrated impressive determination, maturity, and finesse in 13
pursuit of this achievement; and 14

WHEREAS, This triumph reflects the staunch resolve of these fine 15
individuals, and it signifies the acquisition of valuable experience 16
that is sure to benefit them in later life. Thanks to the tireless 17
efforts of Team Ohio's exceptional coaching staff, as well as the 18
support of their community, these athletes have met the demands of an 19
extensive training regimen, and they have just cause for celebration; 20
and 21

WHEREAS, All those who comprise Team Ohio have set an excellent 22
example of what a dedicated group of athletes can achieve when guided 23
by a committed coaching staff and surrounded by loyal fans, families, 24
and supporters. These competitors have certainly proven themselves to 25
be dynamic players, and we are confident that as they meet future 26
challenges, they will take with them the valuable lessons they have 27

gained through their participation in basketball; therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 136th General 29
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, congratulate Team Ohio 30
on its 2026 Special Olympics U.S.A. Games Division 1 Championship 31
title and count its players and coaches among the ranks of outstanding 32
Ohioans; and be it further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 34
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Team Ohio. 35