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S. R. No. 82

Senator Chavez

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Waterford High School girls basketball team on securing the 2025 Division VII State Championship.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 136th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to applaud the Waterford High School girls basketball team as the 2025 Division VII State Champion; and

WHEREAS, The Waterford High School girls basketball team is made up of remarkable athletes who have worked diligently to showcase the collective talents of their exceptional squad. At this year's Division VII State Tournament, the Wildcats won the state crown 48-46 to claim their third title in program history and avenge last season's state final loss, and the members amply demonstrated impressive determination, maturity, and finesse in pursuit of this achievement; and

WHEREAS, This triumph reflects the staunch resolve of these young individuals, and it signifies the acquisition of valuable experience that is sure to benefit them in later life. Thanks to the tireless efforts of the exceptional Waterford High School girls basketball team coaching staff, including Head Coach Jerry Close, as well as the support of their Wildcat community, these athletes have met the demands of an extensive training regimen, and they have just cause for celebration; and

WHEREAS, All those who comprise the Waterford High School girls basketball team have set an excellent example of what a dedicated group of athletes can achieve when guided by a committed coaching staff and surrounded by loyal fans, sports families, and boosters. These young competitors have certainly proven themselves to be dynamic

athletic leaders, and we are confident that as they meet future 25
challenges, they will take with them the valuable lessons they have 26
gained through their participation in basketball; therefore be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 136th General 28
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, congratulate the 29
Waterford High School girls basketball team on its 2025 Division VII 30
State Championship title and count its players and coaches among the 31
ranks of outstanding Ohioans; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 33
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Waterford High School 34
girls basketball team. 35