

**As Adopted by the Senate**

**136th General Assembly  
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**S. R. No. 9**

**Senator Landis**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring the Indian Valley High School football team  
on securing the 2024 Division IV State  
Championship.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 136th General Assembly  
of Ohio are pleased to recognize the Indian Valley High School  
football team as the 2024 Division IV State Champion; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Indian Valley High School football  
team are exemplary athletes, and they have shown themselves to be  
exceptional competitors by concluding a phenomenal season with a  
perfect 16-0 record and a thrilling appearance at the 2024 Division IV  
State Championship. The Braves won the school's first state football  
title with a 37-36 victory against a determined Perkins team, and the  
unwavering commitment of the players and coaches has earned them the  
esteem of many. They are certainly deserving of high praise; and

WHEREAS, Coach Matt Lancaster has demonstrated remarkable energy,  
enthusiasm, and dedication in guiding the Indian Valley High School  
football team to victory, and his skill is reflected in the squad's  
outstanding accomplishments. Due largely to his tireless efforts, the  
members have distinguished themselves on the field, and he has  
received respect and admiration for shepherding the team to the 2024  
Division IV state crown; and

WHEREAS, In an educational system that seeks to teach the future  
leaders of our state and nation the fundamentals of self-reliance and  
the rewards of individual and group effort, athletic competition has  
become a valuable tool. By taking part in sports, the members of the  
Indian Valley High School football team have gained discipline and  
perseverance that will help them in all aspects of their lives;

therefore be it 25

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 136th General 26  
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, pay tribute to the 27  
Indian Valley High School football team as the 2024 Division IV State 28  
Champion and honor all those who contributed to the success of this 29  
fine squad; and be it further 30

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 31  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Indian Valley High School 32  
football team. 33