

**As Adopted by the Senate**

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**S. R. No. 457**

**Senator Beagle**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Jay Bell as a 2016 Division II State Swimming  
Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General 1  
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate Jay Bell on winning 2  
the 2016 Division II State Swimming Championship in the 50-yard 3  
freestyle; and 4

WHEREAS, A senior at Tippecanoe High School, Jay Bell has 5  
combined talent and competitive spirit with the highest ideals of 6  
good sportsmanship to establish himself as a truly exceptional 7  
young athlete. With admirable dedication, he has worked diligently 8  
toward attaining ultimate proficiency in swimming, and as a 9  
result, he placed first in the 50-yard freestyle event with a time 10  
of 20.82 seconds at this year's Division II State Meet; and 11

WHEREAS, Jay Bell's accomplishments and leadership, both in 12  
and out of competition, are a justifiable source of pride and a 13  
fine reflection not only on him but also on his family, his 14  
teammates, his coaches, his school, and his community. His 15  
unwavering commitment to excellence has earned him the respect and 16  
esteem of many, and he is certainly worthy of high praise; and 17

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important 18  
role in the total education of our young people, we are extremely 19  
pleased to pay tribute to Jay Bell on an exemplary season. Indeed, 20  
the same maturity and experience he has gained through his 21  
participation in swimming will greatly aid him in meeting the 22  
challenges of the future; therefore be it 23

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 24  
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend Jay 25  
Bell on his Division II State Swimming Championship and extend 26

best wishes for continued success; and be it further 27

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 28

authenticated copy of this Resolution to Jay Bell. 29