

**As Adopted by the Senate**

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**S. R. No. 56**

**Senator Coley**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring the Lakota West High School girls basketball team as the 2015 Division I State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to the Lakota West High School girls basketball team on winning the 2015 Division I State Championship; and

WHEREAS, Under the capable leadership of Coach Andy Fishman, the Lakota West High School girls basketball team has proven to be a talented and superbly conditioned squad and has gained the respect of fans and opponents alike for the spirited and highly motivated play of its members. Throughout the season, each player worked diligently to improve her skills, and as a result, the Firebirds accomplished their goals, defeating a tough Notre Dame team by the score of 44-38 to bring home their first Division I State Championship title and compiling a 28-2 record; and

WHEREAS, Known as a driven and determined team, the Firebirds have developed into a remarkably efficient group of athletes whose skill on the basketball court is equaled only by their exemplary display of teamwork and sportsmanship. They are a credit not only to their families and their school but also to the superb coaching of their mentor, Andy Fishman; and

WHEREAS, The road to victory and a championship title is a

difficult one, requiring ability, endurance, teamwork, and a positive attitude on the part of players and coach alike. The members of the Lakota West High School girls basketball team have exemplified all of the characteristics that are essential for success both in and out of competition, including courage, discipline, integrity, and good sportsmanship, and their efforts have earned them the admiration of all those who have witnessed these outstanding athletes in action; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, congratulate the Lakota West High School girls basketball team on its 2015 Division I State Championship and commend all those associated with this exceptional squad; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Lakota West High School girls basketball team.