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H. R. No. 46

Representative Baldrige

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Shawnee State University men's basketball team on securing the 2021 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Championship.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 134th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to celebrate the Shawnee State University men's basketball team as the 2021 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Champion; and

WHEREAS, Each member of the Shawnee State University men's basketball team is an excellent young athlete, and Coach Delano Thomas has demonstrated remarkable energy, enthusiasm, and dedication in guiding this squad to victory. This season, the Bears dominated on the way to a 31-2 overall record, and they capped the season with a twenty-seven game winning streak and the first NAIA Championship in program history. The unwavering commitment of the players and their coach has earned them this prestigious distinction, and they are certainly deserving of high praise; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Shawnee State University men's basketball team have established themselves as a truly exceptional unit, and they have emerged as winners both in and out of athletic competition. Delano Thomas' skill as a coach is reflected in this outstanding success, and due largely to his tireless efforts, the team has earned the respect and admiration of all who have witnessed them; 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. Through their participation in sports, the

members of the Shawnee State University men's basketball team have 25
learned lessons of discipline, perseverance, hard work, and good 26
sportsmanship that will undoubtedly be of great benefit to them 27
throughout their lives; therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 29
the 134th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 30
congratulate the Shawnee State University men's basketball team on its 31
2021 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Championship 32
and look to the program's future with excitement; and be it further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 34
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Shawnee State 35
University men's basketball team. 36