

As Adopted by the Senate

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S. R. No. 375

Senator Peterson

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Ohio Valley Christian School boys basketball team as the 2016 OCSAA State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the Ohio Valley Christian School boys basketball team on winning the 2016 Ohio Christian School Athletic Association State Championship; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members of the Ohio Valley Christian School boys basketball team have combined talent and competitive spirit with the highest ideals of good sportsmanship to establish themselves as a truly exceptional squad. This season, the Defenders bested the team from Dayton Temple Christian by a score of 49-28 to secure the Ohio Christian School Athletic Association State Championship crown and compiled a 21-6 overall record. The unwavering commitment of the members and their coach has earned them this prestigious distinction, and they are certainly deserving of high praise; and

WHEREAS, The achievements and leadership of the Defenders are a justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on them, their families, their school, their community, and their coach, Steve Rice. The success of any athletic endeavor depends largely on the ability of the coach to provide both guidance and inspiration, and in leading his team to victory, Coach Rice has not only helped each player to develop his talents to the fullest, but he has also instilled in each a valuable sense of determination, perseverance, camaraderie, and school spirit; and

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important role in the total education of our young people, we are extremely pleased to pay tribute to these fine athletes and their outstanding coach for a job well done. The maturity and experience

the players have gained through participation in sports will 28
greatly aid them in meeting the challenges of the future; 29
therefore be it 30

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 31
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the 32
Ohio Valley Christian School boys basketball team on its 33
tremendous 2015-2016 season and salute the players and coach as 34
some of Ohio's finest citizens; and be it further 35

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 36
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Ohio Valley Christian 37
School boys basketball team. 38