

As Introduced

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S. R. No. 576

Senator O'Brien

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Howland High School boys soccer team as the
2020 Division II State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 133rd General Assembly 1
of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the Howland High School boys 2
soccer team on winning the 2020 Division II State Championship; and 3

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members of the 4
Howland High School boys soccer team have combined talent and 5
competitive spirit with the highest ideals of good sportsmanship to 6
establish themselves as a truly exceptional squad. With admirable 7
dedication, the Tigers have worked diligently toward attaining 8
ultimate proficiency in soccer, and as a result, they defeated a tough 9
Tippecanoe team by the score of 5-0 to secure this year's Division II 10
State Championship crown, the first in program history, and finish the 11
season with an impressive 21-0-1 record; and 12

WHEREAS, The Tigers' achievements and leadership are a justifiable 13
source of pride and an excellent reflection on the players, their 14
families, their school, their community, and their coaches. The 15
success of any athletic endeavor depends largely on the ability of the 16
coaches to provide both guidance and inspiration, and in leading their 17
team to victory, Coach Brian Stiles and his assistants have not only 18
helped each athlete to develop his talents to the fullest but also 19
instilled in each a valuable sense of determination, perseverance, and 20
camaraderie; and 21

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important role 22
in the total education of our young people, we are overjoyed to pay 23
tribute to these exemplary athletes and their outstanding coaches for 24
a job well done. The maturity and experience the team members have 25
gained through their participation in sports will greatly aid them in 26

meeting the challenges of the future; therefore be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 133rd General 28
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the Howland 29
High School boys soccer team on its tremendous 2020 season and salute 30
the players and coaches as some of Ohio's finest citizens; and be it 31
further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 33
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Howland High School boys 34
soccer team. 35