

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 546

By Miller

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Trezevant High School football team on winning the 2015 TSSAA Division I Class 2A State Football Championship.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors for this State; and

WHEREAS, Trezevant High School, led by head coach Teli White and assistant coach Jarrell Starnes, achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2015 season, winning the coveted Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Division I Class 2A State Football Championship, its first state title in its first year of 2A competition; and

WHEREAS, state championships are achieved only through hard work, dedication, and the ability to work together as a team and excel with a cooperative spirit; the mighty Bears exhibited each of these rare qualities during their championship season; and

WHEREAS, amassing a 12–3 season record, the team readily bested all contenders they faced during an incredible playoff season that culminated with an impressive 40–35 win over Marion County High School in the BlueCross Bowl on December 5, 2015 at Tucker Stadium on the campus of Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of their outstanding talents, three players were selected as All State Players, five players were selected as All Metro Players, and one of the team's four seniors signed a Division 1 Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, one such exceptional player on the Trezevant team is running back Cordarrian Richardson. A runner-up for the prestigious Mr. Football Award, Mr. Richardson was crucial to the team's success, running for three touchdowns and throwing for one touchdown in

the championship game. He broke the state record for single game rushing yards with 342 total yards and earned numerous offers from major universities; and

WHEREAS, the football players of Trezevant High School epitomize all that is good in today's student-athletes, as they have achieved the highest level of success on the field while showing the highest degree of character both on and off the field; they inspired the school's student body and united the entire community during their triumphant run through the 2015 season; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young men not only made possible a championship football season, but also surely bode well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Bears of Trezevant High School for serving as exemplars of the high quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate the coaches and members of the 2015 Trezevant High School football team for their heralded victory as the 2015 TSSAA Division I Class 2A State Champions, and extend to them our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.