

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 6

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Knoxville West High School Rebels on winning the 2014 TSSAA Division I Class 5A 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, the Knoxville West High School Rebels achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2014 season, winning the coveted Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Division I Class 5A State Football Championship, the State's highest level of high school football 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 Rebels exhibited each of these rare qualities during their championship season; and

WHEREAS, amassing a 14–1 season record, the team readily bested all contenders they faced during the playoff season, which culminated with an impressive 23–6 win over Hillsboro in the BlueCross Bowl on December 5, 2014, in Cookeville; and

WHEREAS, the football players of Knoxville West High School epitomize all that is good in today's student-athlete, 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 2014 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, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Rebels of Knoxville West High School for winning the 2014 TSSAA Division I Class 5A State Football Championship and for serving as exemplars of the high quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate the players, coaching staff, and fans of the Knoxville West High School Rebels football team for a remarkable season, which includes capturing the TSSAA Division I Class 5A State Football Championship. The Rebels have proven themselves to be exemplary and capable young men who are worthy of this General Assembly's accolades.

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