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Representatives Conditt, Retherford, Derickson

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Lakota West High School girls basketball team on winning the 2015 Division I State Championship.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the Lakota West High School girls basketball team as the 2015 Division I State Champions; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members of the Lakota West High School girls 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 Firebirds bested the team from Notre Dame Academy by a score of 44-38 to secure the 2015 Division I State Championship crown and a 28-2 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 Firebirds are a justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on them, their families, their school, their community, and their coach, Andy Fishman. The success of any athletic endeavor depends largely on the ability of the coaches to provide both guidance and inspiration, and in leading their team to victory, Coach Fishman and his assistants have not only helped each player to develop her talents to the fullest, but they have 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 greatly aid them in meeting the challenges of the future; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the Lakota West High School girls basketball team on its tremendous 2015 season and salute the players and coaches as some of Ohio's finest citizens; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Lakota West High School girls basketball team.