

REPRESENTATIVE ANTONIO

*Honoring the St. Edward High School rugby team
as the 2012 State Champion.*

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the St. Edward High School rugby team on winning the 2012 State Championship; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members of the St. Edward High School rugby team have combined talent and competitive spirit with the highest ideals of good sportsmanship to establish themselves as a truly exceptional squad. With admirable dedication, the Eagles have worked diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency in rugby, and as a result, they defeated a tough Archbishop Moeller squad by the score of 10-7 in overtime to win this year's State Championship title and finished the season with a perfect 15-0 record; and

WHEREAS, The Eagles' achievements and leadership are a justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on the players, their families, their school, their community, and their coach, Brian Lewis. 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, Brian Lewis has not only helped each athlete to develop his talents to the fullest but also instilled in each a valuable sense of determination, perseverance, and camaraderie; 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 exemplary athletes and their outstanding coach for a job well done. The maturity and experience the team members 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 129th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the St. Edward High School rugby team on its tremendous 2012 season and salute the players and coach 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 St. Edward High School rugby team.