REPRESENTATIVE DUFFEY

Honoring the St. Francis DeSales High School baseball team as the 2012 Division II State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to the St. Francis DeSales High School baseball team on winning the 2012 Division II State Championship; and

WHEREAS, The talented St. Francis DeSales High School baseball team is to be heartily commended, for by defeating a tough Wapakoneta squad, it has decisively earned this year's Division II State Championship. The 3-2 victory of the Stallions that completed a 28-6 season reflects an extraordinary collective effort by a gifted group of athletes. Without exception, they had prepared conscientiously in pursuit of their goals, devoting countless hours to training and practice in order to ensure peak conditioning, and clearly, this demanding regimen has paid handsome dividends, for they have won their second consecutive state crown and their third such title overall; and

WHEREAS, The members of the St. Francis DeSales High School baseball team have epitomized the power, poise, and precision that befit true champions. To his credit, Coach Tom Neubert has guided the squad with unwavering expertise and encouragement, and he merits enthusiastic praise for coaxing admirable performances out of the Stallions in each competitive outing. Despite sometimes grueling pressure, they have consistently maintained their composure and morale, exhibiting strength, speed, stamina, and agility in every challenging encounter. Time and again, they have risen to the occasion, amply demonstrating their unflagging determination, and their impressive maturity and finesse have gained them widespread respect, even among their most formidable rivals; and

WHEREAS, By weathering a rigorous schedule and prevailing over a host of adversaries, the members of the St. Francis DeSales High School baseball team have learned much about dedication, self-discipline, leadership, and perseverance. Their first-place finish is a measure of their stalwart commitment to the sport, and their indomitable spirit has made their families, friends, and coaches extremely proud. This triumph attests to the staunch resolve of these young men, and it signifies the acquisition of valuable experience that is sure to benefit them in later life; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud the St. Francis DeSales High School baseball team on its brilliant season and wish its members and coach continued success in all of their future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the St. Francis DeSales High School baseball team.