

Senator Tavares

RESOLUTION

Honoring the Columbus Africentric Early College High School girls basketball team as the 2012 Division III State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the Columbus Africentric Early College High School girls basketball team on winning the 2012 Division III State Championship; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members of the Columbus Africentric Early College 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. With admirable dedication, the Nubians have worked diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency in basketball, and as a result, they defeated a tough Anna team in overtime by the score of 70-66 to win this year's Division III State Championship, their third such title since 2007, and finished the season with an impressive 22-5 record; and

WHEREAS, The Nubians' 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. 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, Coach William McKinney has not only helped each athlete to develop her 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 coaches 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 Senate of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the Columbus Africentric Early College High School girls basketball team on its tremendous season and salute the players and coach as some of Ohio's finest citizens; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Columbus Africentric Early College High School girls basketball team.

I, Vincent L. Keeran, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution No. 239, adopted by the Ohio Senate, April 24, 2012.

Vincent L. Keeran
Clerk of the Senate

Senator Tom Niehaus
President of the Senate

Senator Charleta B. Tavares
Senatorial District No. 15

