

REPRESENTATIVE DERICKSON

*Honoring the Miami University hockey team
as the 2011 CCHA Tournament Champion.*

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to the Miami University hockey team on winning the 2011 Central Collegiate Hockey Association Tournament Championship; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of athletes, the members of the Miami University hockey 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 RedHawks have worked diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency in their sport, and as a result, they defeated a tough Western Michigan University team by the score of 4-2 to win this year's CCHA Tournament, qualified for the NCAA Tournament, and finished the season with a record of 23-10-6; and

WHEREAS, The achievements and leadership of the RedHawks are a justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection not only on them but also on their families, their school, their community, and their coach, Enrico Blasi. 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 Blasi has not only helped each player to develop his talents to the fullest, but he has also instilled in each a valuable sense of determination, perseverance, camaraderie, and school spirit; and

WHEREAS, We are extremely pleased to pay tribute to the members of the RedHawks and their outstanding coach for a job well done. The maturity and experience the players have gained through participation in collegiate 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, applaud the Miami University hockey team on its outstanding season and extend best wishes for the future; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Miami University hockey team.