

**As Adopted by the Senate**

**134th General Assembly  
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**S. R. No. 224**

**Senators O'Brien, Cirino**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring the Chardon High School football team on winning  
the 2021 Division III State Championship.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 134th General Assembly 1  
of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to the Chardon High School football 2  
team as the 2021 Division III State Champion; and 3

WHEREAS, Each member of the Chardon High School football team is 4  
an excellent young athlete, and together, they have demonstrated 5  
remarkable energy, enthusiasm, and dedication in the pursuit of their 6  
goals. The Hilltoppers bested a tough Stephen T. Badin squad with a 7  
score of 21-14 to secure this season's Division III State Championship 8  
crown, the third such title in program history, and become the first 9  
team in the State of Ohio to finish with a 16-0 record. Certainly, 10  
they are deserving of high praise; and 11

WHEREAS, The Hilltoppers' outstanding success is due largely to 12  
the guidance of their coach, Mitch Hewitt, and in leading his team to 13  
victory, he has not only helped his players to develop their talents 14  
to the fullest, but he has also instilled in them a valuable sense of 15  
determination, perseverance, and camaraderie. Indeed, his tireless 16  
endeavors have earned him the respect and admiration of all who know 17  
him; and 18

WHEREAS, In an educational system that seeks to teach the future 19  
leaders of our state and nation the fundamentals of self-reliance and 20  
the rewards of individual and group effort, athletic competition has 21  
become a valuable tool. Through their participation in sports, the 22  
members of the Chardon High School football team have learned lessons 23  
of discipline, perseverance, hard work, and good sportsmanship that 24  
will undoubtedly be of great benefit to them throughout their lives; 25  
therefore be it 26

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 134th General 27  
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud the Chardon 28  
High School football team as the 2021 Division III State Champion and 29  
salute all those who contributed to the success of this fine squad; 30  
and be it further 31

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 32  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Chardon High School 33  
football team. 34