SENATOR HUGHES

Honoring the Upper Arlington High School girls swimming and diving team as the 2009 Division I State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to the Upper Arlington High School girls swimming and diving team on winning the 2009 Division I State Championship; and

WHEREAS, The Upper Arlington High School girls swimming and diving team is to be commended, for throughout their triumphant season, the Golden Bears have epitomized the speed, agility, stamina, and skill that befit authentic champions. Their victories over a host of talented opponents underscore the athletic prowess and indomitable spirit of every member of the squad, and it is no surprise that their maturity and determination have earned them so many admirers; and

WHEREAS, Under the expert guidance of Coach Dan Peterkoski, these gifted athletes have diligently applied themselves to the quest for excellence in the pool, devoting countless hours to rigorous training in order to ensure peak conditioning. Clearly, this demanding regimen has paid handsome dividends, as the Golden Bears brought home their fifth consecutive Division I State Championship; and

WHEREAS, In an educational system that seeks to teach the future leaders of our state and nation the fundamentals of self-reliance and the rewards of individual and group effort, athletic competition has become a valuable educational tool. Through their participation in sports, the members of the Upper Arlington High School girls swimming and diving team have learned lessons of perseverance and hard work that will certainly be of great benefit to them throughout their lives; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud the Upper Arlington High School girls swimming and diving team for outstanding achievement and extend best wishes for ongoing success; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Upper Arlington High School girls swimming and diving team.

I, Vincent L. Keeran, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution No. 31, adopted by the Ohio Senate, April 1, 2009.

Vincent L. Keeran Clerk of the Senate

Senator Bill Harris President of the Senate

Senator Jim Hughes Senatorial District No. 16