

HOUSE RESOLUTION 165

By Matlock

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Christian Academy of Knoxville Warriors on winning the 2011 TSSAA Class 3A State Football Championship.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors for this State; and

WHEREAS, the Christian Academy of Knoxville Warriors achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2011 season, winning the coveted Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Class 3A State Football Championship, the State's highest level of high school football competition; and

WHEREAS, state championships are achieved only through hard work, dedication, and the ability to work together as a team and excel together with a cooperative spirit; the mighty Warriors exhibited each of these rare qualities during their championship season; and

WHEREAS, amassing a 13 – 2 regular season record, the team readily bested all contenders faced during an incredible playoff season that culminated with an impressively spectacular romp over Milan (49 – 14) in the BlueCross Bowl on December 3, 2011, in Cookeville; and

WHEREAS, remarkably, this Warriors win came on the team's first-ever bid in the title game, a true testament to the unwavering determination of the players and coaching staff of this venerable institution to attain excellence; and

WHEREAS, fostering the talents and finely tuning the skills of all his players, Head Coach Rusty Bradley was ably assisted throughout the season by a superb coaching staff,

including Mark Bradley, Chris Hawkins, Kevin Winslett, Roger Toler, Jarvis Reado, Jay Smith, and Jeff Hall; and

WHEREAS, the football players of Christian Academy of Knoxville epitomize all that is good in today's student-athlete, as they have achieved the highest level of success on the field while showing the highest degree of character both on and off the field; they inspired the school's student body and united the entire community during their triumphal run through the 2011 season; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young men not only made possible a championship football season, but also surely bode well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Warriors of Christian Academy of Knoxville for winning the 2011 TSSAA Class 3A State Football Championship and for serving as examples of the high quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate the players, coaching staff, and fans of the Christian Academy of Knoxville Warriors football team on a remarkable season and the State Championship victory. In becoming TSSAA Class 3A State Football Champions, the Warriors have proven themselves to be exemplary and capable young men who are worthy of this General Assembly's accolades.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.