

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 22

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Greeneville High School football team upon winning the TSSAA Class 4A Football Championship.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to honor and commend those victorious high school teams that, through their meritorious accomplishments, bring honor to the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the Greeneville High School (GHS) football team is one such team which recently completed an undefeated 2010 season, amassing an outstanding record of fifteen wins on its way to capturing the 4A State Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Football Championship title on December 4, 2010, after demolishing the Trezevant High School Bears team 60-12 in the Blue Cross Bowl; and

WHEREAS, the capture of the state title was a fitting end to a magnificent season for the Greene Devils, a season in which only one opponent played the Devils to a close game and which also saw the team capture the single-season scoring record by tallying an astonishing 748 points in its fifteen wins; and

WHEREAS, after taking the field in front of an estimated 5,000 GHS fans, the Greene Devils quickly established their dominance over the Trezevant team, utilizing a stifling defense in concert with an offense which gained yards at will; and

WHEREAS, quarterback Willie Carmichael completed five passes for forty-seven yards and two touchdowns but ran for eighty more yards and two rushing touchdowns, and he pulled down three interceptions in a spectacular defensive effort. B. J. Spradlin carried the pigskin thirty-one times, racking up 235 yards and three touchdowns. Ben Ogle scored all seven of his attempted points-after-touchdown and nailed a forty-nine-yard field goal for the only score in the

third quarter. Austin Perkins and Chaz Story also scored a touchdown each, and contributions by players on both sides of the ball ensured the team's overwhelming victory; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spradlin garnered Offensive Most Valuable Player honors for his contributions, and Mr. Carmichael, who was named by the TSSAA as Mr. Football for Class AA, was chosen as the game's Defensive Most Valuable Player; and

WHEREAS, each Greeneville High player deserves recognition for the hard work and determination he exhibited throughout the championship season. The 2010 Greene Devil players are: Austin Perkins, captain, B. J. Spradlin, captain, Chaz Story, Jacob Cope, Terrell Rollins, John Michael Hardin, Joseph Tillery, William Carmichael, Koryei Jefferson, Robert Ottinger, Walker Troy, Tyrus Rollins, Josh Tillery, Andrew Fezell, Tanner Stewart, Tyler Renner, Kelby Wilson, Ben Ogle, Matt Smith, David Sandoval, Marshall Brown, Aaron Kyle, Brock Darby, Taylor Shuffler, Kaleb Byrd, Andrew Houston, Jake Walden, Andrew Tweed, Trey Clark, Alex Perez, Derrik Thornton, Hunter Wilson, Dylan Loblillo, Kevin Green, Jake Treadway, Joey Malone, Dustin Wilhoit, Alex Ellis, Michael Lane, Daniel Epperson, Trey Holditch, O'Bryan Cox, Jamel Hall, Brandon Jones, Tanner Gass, Mitchell Collier, Jacob Priar, Garrett Rambo, Nathan Renner, Matt Luetjen, Justin Tomlinson, Ben Hopkins, Devin Landry, Reese Valk, Clancy Bryant, Luke Ison, Gavin Stewart, Aaron Gillespie, Ethan Malone, Dunkan Gibson, Preston Fields, Lincoln Taylor, Carson Kenney, Mitchell Powers, Brandon Hall, Hunter Henrickson, Brennen Hollowell, Tyler Tomlinson, Jordan Hite, Tyler McInturff, and David Guzman ; and

WHEREAS, the team benefitted from the guidance and leadership provided by Head Coach Caine Ballard; Assistant Coaches Cody Baugh, Josh Quillen, Andy McCall, Dustin Moore, Danny Bentley, Scott Harris, Eddie Spradlen, Brigham Lyons, Dan Hammonds, Bill Hammonds, Bill Brimer, and Greg Dykes; and trainer Glenn Evatt; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of these individuals not only made possible a successful and memorable football season, but also surely point toward their successes in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee takes great pride in the tremendous accomplishments of those student athletes who have excelled both on the field and in the

classroom, and the 2010 Greene Devils football team and their supporters are wholly deserving of the recognition of this body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we applaud and congratulate the players and coaches of the Greeneville High School football team upon capturing the 2010 TSSAA Class 4A State Championship and wish them every success in their future endeavors.

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