

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 624

By Campfield

A RESOLUTION to recognize the Bearden High School Dance Team's Large Varsity Pom and Large Varsity Jazz state titles.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is pleased to specially honor those successful athletic teams who, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, the Bearden High School Dance Team recently won the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association state title in both Large Varsity Pom and Large Varsity Jazz; and

WHEREAS, the Bearden Dance Team also took first place in a summer camp competition and won two first place regional trophies in Varsity Pom and Varsity Jazz at the Smoky Mountain Dance Championship; and

WHEREAS, at the 2014 National Dance Team Championship, the Bearden Dance Team competed against over one hundred teams and earned a bronze medal in the pom competition and placed eighth in the jazz competition; and

WHEREAS, this talented team is made up of twenty-two members: Elena Alles, Taylor Kidd, Faith Goddard, Olivia Riley, Lindsay Tom, Hannah Wunschel, Marissa Tarantino, Ashley William, Allison Balsley, McKensie Wehinger, Rachael Buckley, Paige Walter, Caroline Ward, Haley Mañalac, Merrielle Luepke, Alison Napier, Madison Deatherage, Alyssa Menavich, Sarah Balsley, Audri Brakebill, Natalie Werner, and Lyndi Vaughn; and

WHEREAS, the Bearden Dance Team is led by Head Coach Hannah Keathley and Skills Coach Peyton Cheatham, sponsored by Angelia Ford, Christi Lechner, and Tammy McKibben, and choreographed by Katie Fear; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young women not only made these stellar triumphs possible, but will also surely bode well for their future success; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Bearden High School Dance Team for their outstanding performance and for serving as examples of the exceptional quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate the members of the Bearden High School Dance Team on their commitment to excellence and winning two TSSAA state titles as we extend to them our best wishes for every continued success.

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