

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 362

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A RESOLUTION congratulating the Westview High School cheerleading squad on winning the 2011 Universal Cheerleaders Association National Championship.

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

WHEREAS, the Westview High School cheerleading program is renowned for its standing as a bastion of extraordinary athletic facility in the world of competitive cheerleading; and

WHEREAS, the Westview High School cheerleaders achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2010-2011 season, capped by their victory in the Universal Cheerleading Association Super Varsity Division II at the 2011 UCA Nationals held on February 10-13, 2011, in Orlando, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Westview squad's championship season would not have been possible without the astute knowledge and leadership of head coach David Byars and head coach Maggie Byars; the insight of assistant coaches Amy Cole Belew, David Byars, Jr., and Holli Byars; and talent of choreographer, Craig Monte; and

WHEREAS, the Westview High School cheerleading team epitomizes all that is good in today's student-athletes, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while exhibiting the highest degree of character in all aspects of life; and

WHEREAS, since 1992, Westview cheerleaders have been nationally ranked sixteen out of nineteen years, winning the National Cheerleaders Association National Championship in 1994-1995; the UCA National Championship in 2003-2004, 2006-2007, 2007-2008, and 2008

-2009; the Clinic Bowl State Championship in 1992-1996, 1999, and 2000; the Tennessee Secondary Schools Athletic Association State Championship in 1997 and 2000; the UCA Stunt Group National Championships in 2003 and 2004; fourteen UCA Regional Championships; and the 2003 and 2004 UCA Stunt Group National Championships; and

WHEREAS, among his many accomplishments, head coach David Byars has coached 101 All American/All Stars during his exemplary tenure with Westview High School; twenty of his athletes have received Division I collegiate scholarships in cheerleading and three former cheerleaders have received Division I collegiate scholarships in dance; and

WHEREAS, showcasing their passion for cheerleading again and again, Westview cheerleaders have brought home the first place trophy for the Regional Qualification Competition for UCA Nationals the past eight years; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young women not only made possible a stellar triumph, but also surely bodes well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Westview High School cheerleading 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 SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we do hereby honor and congratulate the coaches, support staff, and the Westview High School cheerleading squad on their exceptional legacy, their individual and collective resolve, and their triumph as the 2011 Universal Cheerleaders Association National Championship.

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