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Representative Lightbody

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Westerville Winds

as 2023 Ohio Indoor Performance Association Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 135th 1 General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to Westerville Winds on winning first place in the winds independent A category at the 2023 Ohio Indoor Performance Association Championship; and

WHEREAS, In its inaugural year, Westerville Winds has distinguished itself as one of the finest indoor winds performance groups in the state, and all those associated with this ensemble are deserving of commendation. Over the course of many long hours of practice to learn and hone their routine of the Knights of the Red Table, the members have developed exceptional musical, dance, and interpretive abilities, as well as outstanding confidence and discipline, and consequently, they placed first in the winds independent A category at this year's Ohio Indoor Performance Association Championship and advanced to the Winter Guard International Finals, where they placed fourth in the independent A winds category; and

WHEREAS, Westerville Winds members Jillian Beaty, Austin Blose, Bryana Blose, Justin Blose, Kris Brown, Jack Gagnon, Daemon Gordon, Luke Grochocki, Faith Hall, Gena Hayes, Jessica Hefty, Lucy Leviyah, Abby Long, Julie Mason, Robbie Spence, Scotti Smith, and Katie Walker have earned a level of respect and appreciation of which they can be proud. Indeed, they have worked tirelessly to become one of Ohio's best and most diverse units, and their efforts are deserving of admiration; and

WHEREAS, Participation in organizations such as this provides a

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unique opportunity for people of all ages to come together, to develop	27
their skills, and to enjoy a special camaraderie while learning the	28
true value of perseverance, poise, and cooperation. Under the capable	29
leadership of Executive Director Kriss Davis, Music Director Jordi	30
Villanova, Visual Director Kyle Buflod, Choreographer Christopher	31
Pohlman, and a host of others, the members of Westerville Winds have	32
achieved the balance, blend, and harmony which are the hallmarks of	33
superior performance, and truly, they have represented their hometown	34
with distinction; therefore be it	35
RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of	36
the 135th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, pay	37
tribute to Westerville Winds on its recent achievement and salute such	38
a talented group of people whose future holds great promise; and be it	39
further	40
RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit	41

a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to Westerville Winds.