

House Resolution 1768

By: Representatives Marin of the 96th and Chambers of the 81st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the St. Pius X Catholic High School forensic team; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, St. Pius X Catholic High School, a chapter member of the National Forensic
3 League, has a rich tradition of speech and debate; and
- 4 WHEREAS, during the 2005-2006 academic year, the school's forensic team enjoyed one
5 of its most outstanding years ever in competition, giving its members the opportunity to
6 compete on state and national levels and providing them with a highly intellectually
7 enriching experience that they will always remember; and
- 8 WHEREAS, at the Winfield Scott Debates at Starr's Mill High School, the team qualified as
9 a finalist in public forum debate and won first place in original oratory; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the team qualified as a finalist in original oratory and tied for first place in
11 public forum debate at the Chattahoochee High School tournament; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the team also finished first place in public forum debate at the Carrollton Peach
13 State Classic and the Milton High School tournament, in addition to qualifying as a finalist
14 in original oratory at the Milton competition; and
- 15 WHEREAS, at the Georgia Northern Mountain District tournament, the St. Pius X Catholic
16 High School forensic team placed as a national qualifier and first alternate for the United
17 States national tournament to be held this summer in Texas; and
- 18 WHEREAS, on February 25, 2006, this talented team won the GFCA 2006 State Public
19 Forum Debate Championship after finishing first, second, and third, with all three teams
20 being undefeated in competition; and

1 WHEREAS, thanks to the hard work and determination of the team's students and coaches,
2 the St. Pius X Catholic High School forensic team has brought great honor to its school and
3 community.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
5 the members of this body join to commend the St. Pius X Catholic High School forensic
6 team on its many outstanding achievements and extend their best wishes to the team as it
7 competes this summer at the National Forensic League Tournament.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copies of this resolution to Head Coach Sean Hiland;
10 Assistant Coach Michael Berlon; team members Kyle Joyce, Mychal Stanley, Rafael
11 Hernandez, Nick Berlon, Brent Modak, Patrick Angulo, Franz Destin, Taylor Whelchel,
12 Kristen Reese, Ceci Zhang, Maggie Hamilton, Hugh Kinsel, and Thomas Copeland; and Mr.
13 Stephen Spellman, principal of St. Pius X Catholic High School.