

House Resolution 141

By: Representatives Peake of the 137th, Randall of the 138th, Holmes of the 125th, Epps of the 140th, and Lucas of the 139th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Stratford Academy boys soccer team on winning the Class
2 AAA State Championship; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, through perseverance and iron determination, the Stratford Academy boys
4 soccer team earned the top ranking in the state, earning the school a repeat State
5 Championship title in boys soccer; and

6 WHEREAS, the Eagles completed their impressive season with a record of 17-5-1, earning
7 91 goals and ten shutouts; and

8 WHEREAS, the title-winning team consisted of talented athletes Ben Bowdoin, Malcolm
9 Cesar, Chidi Ekeledo, Obi Ekeledo, Austin Etheridge, Stuart Firth, Matthew Fuller, Benton
10 Graves, Tyler Hill, Mack Hodges, Stuart Kent, Rodney Noel, Kishan Patel, Ben Randolph,
11 Ryan Ridley, Miles Seagler, Bo Stroup, John Treadwell, Thomas Watson, and Kyle Webb;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Ryan Ridley and Kyle Webb were named to the All-region team, while Obi
14 Ekeledo, Mack Hodges, and Bo Stroup were named to both the All-region and All-state
15 teams; and

16 WHEREAS, the phenomenal performance of the team is a clear indication of the outstanding
17 athletic ability, the dedication and hard work, and the unity of purpose and spirit of each
18 member of the team; their superb offensive and defensive talents; and the astute direction of
19 Head Coach James Jordan, coaches Jeff Hale and Andrew Myler, and manager Emmy
20 Stroup; and

21 WHEREAS, as this magnificent team earned its well-deserved reputation for excellence by
22 performing with courage and precision over months of training and competition, it is
23 abundantly proper to call them champions.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body congratulate the Stratford Academy boys soccer team for winning
26 the Class AAA State Championship and extend their sincere best wishes for future success.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to transmit copies of this resolution to Head Coach James Jordan.