

Legislation Text

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Recognizing and honoring the Oak Lane Youth Association for their outstanding achievements in the 2012 Pop Warner Super Bowl and National Cheer and Dance Championships.

WHEREAS, At the 2012 Pop Warner Super Bowl and National Cheer and Dance Championships, held at Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, Florida, the Oak Lane Youth Association ("Oak Lane") had four teams place in the competition; and

WHEREAS, During this national competition, the Pee Wee and Junior Midget teams won first place and the Midget and Junior Pee Wee teams won second and fifth place; and

WHEREAS, Under the direction of Dawn Heath Gardner and Monique White, and Head Coaches Darren Armstrong, Rhonda Trotman, Natasha Davis, Kim Jamison, and Assistant Coaches Lakiesha Hollingsworth, Ashley Clanton, Sharkia Water, London Graves, Jasmin Jones, Quianna Bailey, Ashley Speakes, Anitra Williams, and aided by Student Demonstrator Ashley Nichols, Oak Lane has completed their quest and vision to be the best by having four teams place in this national championship; and

WHEREAS, Oak Lane is an organization located in the West Oak Lane section of Philadelphia and its mission is to establish and maintain a well-organized program of intellectual and athletic experiences that stress the qualities of participation, competition, sportsmanship, and pride and facilitate a basic understanding between parents, youth, and coaches, resulting in community solidarity through mutual involvement; and

WHEREAS, Oak Lane has a vested interest in the growth and development of each and every member of its programs, and through its programs, helps to prevent inner city youth from engaging in negative behavior and is an effective alternative to drugs, violence, and crime and give youth the opportunity to participate in an organized and productive experience that promotes healthy lifestyles, prevents childhood obesity, and prevents health related illnesses in the future; and

WHEREAS, Oak Lane participates in the Liberty Youth Athletic Association ("Liberty Youth") - Pop Warner Little Scholars Football League and Liberty Youth is organized to develop and operate a football league in affiliation with Pop Warner Little Scholars, Inc., which is a non profit corporation (founded in 1929) that provides youth football and cheer programs for approximately 400,000 young people ranging in ages from 5 to 16 years old in 42 states and several countries around the world.; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That we hereby recognize and honor the Oak Lane Youth Association for their outstanding achievements in the 2012 Pop Warner Super Bowl and National Cheer and Dance Championships.

RESOLVED, That we congratulate the entire Oak Lane Youth Association on these impressive accomplishments and for serving as outstanding ambassadors for the City of Philadelphia and being a source of pride for all of its citizens.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to representatives of

the Oak Lane Youth Association as evidence of the sincere sentiments of this legislative body.