



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **CONGRATULATING THE PHILLIPS ACADEMY WILDCATS: 2015 IHSA CLASS 4A FOOTBALL STATE CHAMPIONS**

**WHEREAS**, at 111 years old, Wendell Phillips Academy High School is one of the oldest high schools in the City of Chicago, and boasts alumni such as Sam Cooke, Nat King Cole, and Gwendolyn Brooks; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 27, 2015 the Wendell Phillips Academy Wildcats defeated the Althoff Crusaders (Belleville, IL) 51-7 to complete an undefeated 2015 season and clinch the Class 4A IHSA state football championship; and

**WHEREAS**, during their record setting run the Wildcats have only trailed once throughout their 2015 campaign, and outscored all opponents 543-87. They have beaten all of their opponents by an average of 35 points per game; and

**WHEREAS**, the Phillips Wildcats are the first team from the City of Chicago's Public School League to capture a state football championship; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wildcats are only the third Chicago public high school to reach a IHSA football state finals since the IHSA football playoffs were created in 1974; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wildcats offense amassed 4,393 rushing yards this season. They were led by junior running back Kamari Mosby (2,246 rushing yards, 18 TDs) and quarterback Quayvon Skanes (1,317 rushing yards, 32 touchdowns); and

**WHEREAS**, the Wildcats defense only allowed an average of 6.69 points per game. They were led by Chriss Elmore (146 tackles, 22 for loss, 11 sacks) and Amir Watts (128 Tackles, 31 for loss, 7 sacks); and

**WHEREAS**, all of the team's 19 seniors: Donald Gardner, David Munson, Qadeer Weatherly, Quayvon Skanes, Amani Jones, Chris Mabry, Amir Watts, Devin Jones, Tobias Nellum, Darnell Willis, Calvin Watkins, Christopher Stephens, Kentrell Johnson, Raiken Strong, Gabriel Tyson, Adisen Broughton, Marzeek Williams, Isaac Osei, and Roderick Clay, are on track to graduate; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wildcats are led by their head coach, Troy McAllister, who began his tenure at Phillips in the spring of 2009.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners that we, along with the citizens of Cook County, congratulate the 2015 Wendell Phillips Academy Wildcats on their 2015 IHSA state championship and perfect season; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to Wendell Philips Academy.