

By Senator Hays

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing the members of the For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST) Lego League Team 4129, the Hammerheads, for their outstanding achievement at the 2011 World Festival.

WHEREAS, For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST) provides an inspirational learning experience that celebrates engineering, science, and technology, and allows participants to develop personal and technical skills that will lead them to future success in related fields, and

WHEREAS, on February 27, 2011, FIRST Lego League (FLL) Team 4129, known as the Hammerheads, competed in the 9- to 14-year-old age group FLL Florida championship tournament at the Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne, and

WHEREAS, FLL Team 4129, the Hammerheads, placed first in the state tournament and went on to represent Florida at the 2011 World Festival in St. Louis, Missouri, and

WHEREAS, from April 27-30, 2011, FLL Team 4129, the Hammerheads, competed against 80 teams representing 25 countries in three areas: robot, research, and core values, and

WHEREAS, FLL Team 4129, the Hammerheads, placed first in the robot category and third in the all-around, the only team from the United States to place, and

WHEREAS, the members of FLL Team 4129, the Hammerheads, are homeschooled students Brock Bogeajis, Cole Morris, Braden Verkaik, and Garrett Verkaik, all of Eustis, and Jonah Locke, Ashley White, and Jacob White, all of Umatilla, and Eustis High

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30 School student Parker Verkaik, and

31 WHEREAS, the members of FLL Team 4129, the Hammerheads,
32 brought honor and distinction to this state as one of the top-
33 three teams worldwide, NOW, THEREFORE,

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35 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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37 That the members of the For Inspiration and Recognition of
38 Science and Technology (FIRST) Lego League Team 4129, the
39 Hammerheads, are recognized for their outstanding achievement at
40 the 2011 World Festival.