

By Senator Detert

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Senate Resolution

A resolution congratulating the 2013 Venice High School Indians baseball team on its second consecutive state title win and recognizing the team's outstanding contributions to the community in keeping with its motto, "Excellence on and off the field."

WHEREAS, in 2013, the Venice High School Indians baseball team became only the third high school team in the history of prep baseball in Sarasota and Manatee Counties to win back-to-back state titles, and

WHEREAS, in taking the title, the Venice High School Indians baseball team stepped into the national spotlight, being named by Baseball America as the number one team among public schools nationwide, and

WHEREAS, the Venice High School Indians baseball team is equally proud of its off-field accomplishments, which include a 3.2 team GPA and more than 1,200 hours of community service, and

WHEREAS, the Venice High School Indians baseball team's community service includes a 9-year involvement with Reading Mentors, in which the players, on a weekly basis, assist third graders in reading; a 15-year association with the Little League Challenger program, in which members of the team serve as "Challenger buddies"; visits to local assisted living facilities; an annual project with Habitat for Humanity; and assistance with fundraising efforts for the Wounded Warrior Project, and

WHEREAS, the hard work and dedication of the Venice High School Indians baseball team is evidenced in its outstanding

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30 accomplishments both on and off the field, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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34 That we congratulate the 2013 Venice High School Indians
35 baseball team on its second consecutive state title win and
36 recognize the team's outstanding contributions to the community.