

SENATE RESOLUTION 27

(By Senators Taylor, Martin, and Jeffries)

[Introduced March 12, 2025]

1 Congratulating the Taylor County Middle school football team for winning the 2024 Mid-8
2 Championship.

3 Whereas, The Taylor County Middle school football team created history on October 30,
4 2024, when the Knights claimed their first ever Mid-8 Championship in a 54-20 win; and

5 Whereas, The Taylor County Middle school football team had a remarkable year on the
6 gridiron resulting in a 9-0 season that qualified them for the Mid-8 Championship playoffs where
7 they won making it the first win in the school's 31-year program history following a previous three-
8 year attempt for the championship; and

9 Whereas, The Knights football team is led by head coach Bobby Beltner who credits the
10 success to all the players through their hard work and perseverance, and the dedication of the
11 volunteer coaching staff which includes Sam Jones, Junior Lambert, Jamen Summers, Keith
12 Hodges, Anthony Forte, Brian Lough, Cameron Forte, and Jaron Freeman; and

13 Whereas, Head coach Bobby Beltner is to be commended for his firm belief in the value of
14 the program and keeping each player encouraged and engaged to help them benefit from the
15 value of belonging to a team; and

16 Whereas, The 2024 Knights football team is a shining example to all West Virginians of
17 what can be accomplished with dedication, commitment, and teamwork, and will be remembered
18 as one of the best teams ever assembled in West Virginia middle school football history; therefore,
19 be it

20 *Resolved by the Senate:*

1 That the Senate hereby congratulates the Taylor County Middle School Knights for winning
2 the 2024 Mid-8 Championship; and, be it

3 *Further Resolved*, That the Senate commends the team and the coaches for their
4 unwavering determination and grit for their outstanding accomplishment; and, be it

5 *Further Resolved*, That the Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to
6 the Taylor County Middle School football team.