

RESOLUTION NO. 20260728-04H

Honoring the Lawrence County 8U Purple All-Star Baseball Team for Winning the 2026 Tennessee Cal Ripken State Championship

Whereas, youth athletics provide young people with opportunities to develop character, discipline, teamwork, leadership, and sportsmanship while fostering a lifelong appreciation for competition and community; and

Whereas, the Lawrence County 8U Purple All-Star Baseball Team earned the opportunity to represent Lawrence County at the 2026 Tennessee Cal Ripken State Tournament held in Donelson, Tennessee, through outstanding play and dedication to the game of baseball; and

Whereas, throughout the tournament, the Lawrence County 8U Purple All-Star Team demonstrated exceptional teamwork, determination, perseverance, and sportsmanship while competing against the best teams from across the State of Tennessee; and

Whereas, the Lawrence County 8U Purple All-Star Team completed an extraordinary tournament run by finishing with an undefeated record of six (6) victories and no defeats, while outscoring its opponents by an impressive, combined score of eighty-seven (87) to eighteen (18); and

Whereas, the Lawrence County 8U Purple All-Star Team captured the 2026 Tennessee Cal Ripken 8U State Championship, bringing great honor and distinction to Lawrence County through its outstanding athletic achievement; and

Whereas, the Lawrence County Board of County Commissioners recognizes the following members of the 2026 Lawrence County 8U Purple All-Star Baseball Team for their dedication, perseverance, teamwork, and contributions to this State Championship season:

Asher Gibbs
Grady Johns
Barrett Mansfield
Hux McDonald
Kutler McDonald
Mack Moore
Titus Morgan
Walker Newton
Boone Ridgeway
Calden Sanderson
Zayden Shaw
Shepherd Story; and

Whereas, the Lawrence County Board of County Commissioners further recognizes Head Coach Scot Sanderson and Assistant Coaches Tyler Gibbs, Dusty McDonald, and Nick McDonald

for their outstanding leadership, mentorship, and commitment to developing both successful young athletes and young men of character; and

Whereas, this championship was made possible through the countless hours of practice, preparation, and dedication demonstrated by the players, coaches, and families, whose collective efforts reflect great credit upon Lawrence County and serve as an inspiration to future generations of youth athletes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lawrence County Legislative Body meeting in Regular Session on July 28, 2026, that the Commission hereby congratulates and honors the Lawrence County 8U Purple All-Star Baseball Team, its players, coaches, and families upon winning the 2026 Tennessee Cal Ripken 8U State Championship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lawrence County Board of County Commissioners expresses its sincere appreciation for the manner in which these young athletes represented Lawrence County through excellence, teamwork, perseverance, and sportsmanship, and commends them for bringing home a State Championship that is a source of great pride for the entire community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed this 28th day of July 2026.

Shane Eaton, Chair
Lawrence County Legislative Body

David A. Morgan, County Executive

ATTEST:

Russ Brewer, County Clerk

SPONSOR: County Commissioners and David Morgan