

RESOLUTION NO. 20260728-06H

Honoring the Lawrenceburg 11U 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 Lawrenceburg 11U All-Star Baseball Team earned the opportunity to represent Lawrence County at the 2026 Tennessee Cal Ripken State Tournament held in White House, Tennessee, through outstanding play and dedication to the game of baseball; and

Whereas, the Lawrenceburg 11U All-Star Team opened tournament play with victories over West Nashville and White House before defeating Franklin, Tullahoma, and Donelson to complete an undefeated championship run and capture the 2026 Tennessee Cal Ripken 11U State Championship; and

Whereas, the Lawrenceburg 11U All-Star Team dominated the tournament from start to finish, finishing undefeated while outscoring its opponents by an extraordinary combined score of fifty (50) to seven (7); and

Whereas, the Lawrenceburg 11U All-Star Team demonstrated remarkable excellence in every phase of the game, batting .460 as a team with fifty-two (52) hits, stealing thirty-four (34) bases, recording two complete games, combining for a no-hitter, striking out thirty-four (34) opposing batters, and finishing the tournament with an outstanding 0.50 earned run average; and

Whereas, the 2026 Tennessee Cal Ripken 11U State Championship marks the fifth consecutive State Championship won by this age group, representing the second-longest state championship streak in the history of the Lawrenceburg Cal Ripken/Little League program and another remarkable chapter in one of the league's most successful traditions; and

Whereas, the Lawrence County Board of County Commissioners recognizes the following members of the 2026 Lawrenceburg 11U All-Star Baseball Team for their dedication, perseverance, teamwork, and contributions to this historic State Championship season:

Neyland Dishongh
Kanaan Gardner
Knox Helton
Madden Johns
Roman Kolesar
Paxten Livingston
Will Loyd
Jace Manning
Archer McDonald
Wyatt Moore

Cooper Newton
Jack Oldham; and

Whereas, the Lawrence County Board of County Commissioners further recognizes Head Coach Robert Newton and Assistant Coaches Charlie Loyd, Russ Moore, and Ryan Johns 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 continue a tradition of excellence that has become synonymous with Lawrenceburg youth baseball;

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 Lawrenceburg 11U All-Star Baseball Team, its players, coaches, and families upon winning the 2026 Tennessee Cal Ripken 11U State Championship and upon achieving the remarkable milestone of five consecutive State Championships.

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 establishing one of the most successful championship traditions in the history of Lawrenceburg youth baseball.

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