

Senate of Pennsylvania



HARRISBURG, PA

Congratulations

In the Senate, October 26, 2017

Whereas, *The Senate of Pennsylvania is always pleased to recognize those esteemed educational institutions which contribute in a meaningful way toward the well-being of their communities and ultimately to all the citizens of this Commonwealth; and*

Whereas, *Souderton Area High School is being honored as a National Banner Unified Champion School by the Special Olympics International Headquarters during a presentation, which is being held on November 30, 2017; and*

Whereas, *One of only four schools in the country and the first in Pennsylvania to receive this honor, Souderton Area High School is being recognized for its Unified Sports program and for meeting ten standards of excellence demonstrating its commitment to promoting inclusion. Unified Sports has teams of typical and special students who compete side-by-side in interscholastic competition. Spearheaded by Athletic Director Dennis Stanton and Supervisor of Special Education Megan Zweiback, Souderton Area High School's Unified Sports program began with a track and field team during the 2015-2016 school year and added bocce ball in 2016-2017. In addition, the Unified Track and Field Team won the State championship in 2017. The Unified Sports program has created exceptional opportunities for the school's student-athletes and has had a positive impact on the entire student body.*

Now therefore, *the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania congratulates Souderton Area High School upon its richly deserved recognition; offers best wishes for continued success in the coming years;*

And directs *that a copy of this document, sponsored by Senator Bob Mensch, be transmitted to Souderton Area High School, 760 Lower Road, Souderton, Pennsylvania.*



Bob Mensch

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Joseph Carnati III, President Pro Tempore

Attest:

Megan Martin

Megan Martin, Secretary