



Proclamation 2015-04 of the Board of Commissioners of Warrick County, Indiana
 Celebrating the Accomplishments of the
 2015 Marching Knights of Castle High School

WHEREAS, Castle High School has promoted and advanced the desire of Newburgh area and Warrick County young people to participate in music and performing arts programs for decades, and now enjoys numerous music and performing arts clubs and programs that are recognized locally, throughout the State of Indiana, regionally and nationally; and

WHEREAS, on September 19, 2015, the Castle Marching Knights were recognized in 2nd Place overall at the Bands of American Clarksville, Tennessee Regional Championships held on the campus of Austin Peay University, outscoring outstanding band programs from Tennessee, Missouri and Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2015, the Castle Marching Knights competed in the Bands of America Indianapolis Super Regional Championships in Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis against sixty-five (65) of the most outstanding marching band programs in the nation from Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Ohio and Kentucky and was recognized with its highest ranking in school history in a **BOA Super Regional** with a **6th place finish**; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its highest placement ever at a BOA Super Regional, the Castle Marching Knights were also crowned **BOA Super Regional Class AAA Champion** for the first time in Castle High School history, earning each band member a medal in recognition of the honor; and

WHEREAS, prior to 2015 the Castle Marching Knights have been selected to perform as one of the Top 10 marching bands in the Indiana State School Music Association (ISSMA) State Championships in their competitive class a total of twenty-four (24) times; and

WHEREAS, in the 2015 the Castle Marching Knights with 225 marching student members were selected for the **25th time to be a State Finalist** and performed in Lucas Oil Stadium in the Open Class A State Championships on November 7, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Castle Marching Knights were recognized for their outstanding musicianship and an overwhelmingly emotional performance by placing **4th in the State of Indiana in the Open Class A State Championships**, which represented the eighth (8th) time Castle has placed in the Top 5 overall and the third (3rd) highest placing Castle has ever achieved in its long and illustrious ISSMA career. The three band programs that placed higher than Castle were each recognized as three of the top twelve band programs in the Nation at the 2015 BOA Grand National Championships; and

WHEREAS, the determination, devotion, work ethic and commitment that the members of the 2015 Castle Marching Knights have exhibited all year long has allowed them to achieve exceptional accomplishments, and in so doing committed themselves time and time again to the highest ideals of integrity, honor, teamwork, school spirit and individual excellence that is a model for all of the young people throughout Warrick County.

THEREFORE, the Commissioners of the County of Warrick, Indiana, in recognition of the accomplishments of the 2015 Castle Marching Knights and for serving as outstanding ambassadors of Castle High School and Warrick County throughout the 2015 marching season, and in celebration as they leave for their 2015 Band Trip to Chicago, Las Vega and Los Angeles, hereby proclaim **Wednesday, November 25, 2015, as CASTLE MARCHING KNIGHTS DAY THROUGHOUT WARRICK COUNTY** and thanks its citizens and communities throughout the County for joining in the honoring and recognizing the accomplishments and efforts of the young people, staff, administrators, parents and families of the Castle Marching Knights of Newburgh, Indiana.

In testimony hereof, we have hereto set our hands and caused to be affixed hereto the great seal of Warrick County at the County Commissioners' Chamber in Boonville, Indiana, this 23rd day of November, 2015.

WARRICK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

 [SEAL]
 Don Williams, President

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 Richard Refd, Vice-President

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 Marlin Weisheit, Member

ATTEST:


 Deborah K. Stevens, Warrick County Auditor