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# NEWS RELEASE

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## **THERESIA WYNNS WILL JOIN NATIONAL FEDERATION STAFF**

INDIANAPOLIS, IN – Theresia Wynns, Assistant Commissioner of the Indiana High School Athletic Association since 1997, has announced her resignation effective June 22, 2012 after what will be 15 years of service on the IHSAA executive staff. Wynns has accepted a career opportunity to join the executive staff of the Indianapolis-based National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) beginning June 25, 2012.

Wynns, who will finish the current school year (2011-12) with the Association, has been named Director of Sports and Officials Education for the NFHS. She will serve as administrator for the sports of basketball and softball, and she will be director of the NFHS Officials Association and the NFHS Officials Education Program.

In her role as IHSAA Assistant Commissioner, Wynns has been responsible for overseeing girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, boys and girls tennis, along with the licensing and management of over 8,000 IHSAA officials. Additionally, she managed the IHSAA sportsmanship program and tournament merchandising for the Association.

“Theresia Wynns has served the student athletes of Indiana, the membership of the Indiana High School Athletic Association and thousands of licensed officials with exemplary dedication and passionate service in her role as Assistant Commissioner,” said IHSAA Commissioner Bobby Cox.

“Her successes are too numerous to enumerate yet now have been recognized by the National Federation in this new career opportunity. On behalf of our Board of Directors and staffs both past and present, we want to thank Theresia for her leadership and offer our best wishes for success in her future endeavors.”

A native of Easley, S.C., Wynns is a 1966 graduate of Clear View High School in Easley and a 1970 graduate of South Carolina State University with a B.S. degree in health and physical education. She taught one year at Easley Junior High School before coming to Indianapolis in 1971. Wynns spent 26 years as a teacher and administrator in the Indianapolis Public Schools and Warren Township Schools.

She officiated the girls basketball state championship game in 1977, 1981 and 1986. Wynns was named Indiana’s outstanding girls basketball official in 1983 by the IHSAA and the National Federation of Interscholastic Officials Association.

“Being a part of the Indiana High School Athletic Association has allowed me to serve the young people of this great state through the growth of athletic opportunities and related programs,” said Wynns.

“It has been my privilege to work with one of the finest staffs at the state level and to work with administrative teams at the schools to meet the challenges and the needs in running athletic programs. I will miss the many people with whom I have worked but look forward to being a part of the NFHS and maintaining a relationship with IHSAA.”

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### **About the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. (IHSAA)**

Founded in 1903, the purpose of the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. (IHSAA) is to encourage, regulate and give direction to wholesome amateur interschool athletic competition between its 408 member schools. The Association provides state championship tournament series in 20 sports, 10 for girls and 10 for boys. Approximately 160,000 student athletes participate in IHSAA sports on an annual basis.

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