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SMYRNA LITTLE LEAGUE ACHIEVES FIRST-EVER GA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP VICTORY FOR 10/11 YEAR-OLD DIVISION

Smyrna, GA (July 20, 2014)

The Smyrna Little League 10/11 Year-Old All Star Team won the Georgia Little League State Championship on July 16, claiming the first State Title for this age group in the organization's 60-year history.

To accomplish this feat, the team won their third straight District 2 tournament held at Murphey Candler Park in Dunwoody in early July. The team then competed in the state tournament held in Cartersville with victories over 4 teams including perennial Georgia powerhouses Warner Robins East in the semi-finals and Northern Columbus in the finals. Smyrna won the state championship game 10-7 in the bottom of the sixth with a force out at second base.

Smyrna Little League President, Jodi Rutigliano, who also has a son on the team, shared "that this is such an amazing accomplishment for our team, our park and community. It would not have happened without the hard work of our boys and coaches, and the dedication of our parents and the entire Smyrna Little League family."

Smyrna will go on to represent the state of Georgia at the Southeast Regionals, the highest level of Little League competition for their age, in Greenville, NC, beginning August 2.

About Smyrna Little League

SLL is comprised of over 700 youth ages four through twelve who participate in fall and spring recreation and tournament teams sponsored by the league. It is located at Hunter Street and Concord Road in Smyrna, GA. Fall registration is now open for all families. Go to smyrnalittleleague.com for more information.



The team members from the Championship Game Night are shown from left to right – starting at first row: Jake Petersen, Evan Jameson, Ethan Tai, Bryce Becker, Ethan Mack, Drewbie Pinkston, Jason Warner, Colin Stewart, Dominic Rutigliano, Chase Watson, Joshua Mills and Nick Addison. Coaches – on back row from left to right are: David Watson, Dan Tai, Dell Pinkston (Manager), Calvin Addison, Peter Warner and Rob Rutigliano.