

**As Adopted by the Senate**

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**S. R. No. 426**

**Senator Gentile**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Cooper Smith as the 2016 Ohio Athletic Committee  
Youth Wrestling State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General 1  
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to Cooper Smith on 2  
placing first in the eight and under, 58-pound weight division at 3  
the 2016 Ohio Athletic Committee Youth Wrestling State 4  
Championship; and 5

WHEREAS, This achievement is truly noteworthy, for Cooper 6  
Smith has clearly demonstrated his talent and perseverance, as 7  
well as his mental and physical fortitude as a wrestler. An 8  
exceptional athlete, he won this year's OAC Youth Wrestling State 9  
Championship in the eight and under, 58-pound weight division, and 10  
he also placed third at the New Way National tournament, finishing 11  
the season with a remarkable 70-15 record. His noteworthy record 12  
of personal achievement stands as a hallmark for others to 13  
emulate; and 14

WHEREAS, Through his outstanding efforts, Cooper Smith has 15  
inspired countless individuals to excel in various areas of 16  
endeavor, and his poise and precision have commanded widespread 17  
attention and respect. To his credit, he has devoted a great deal 18  
of time to the perfection of his technique, and clearly, his 19  
diligent practice has paid handsome dividends; and 20

WHEREAS, In a society that seeks to teach the future leaders 21  
of our state and nation the fundamentals of self-reliance and the 22  
rewards of individual effort, athletic competition has become a 23  
valuable educational tool. With athletics playing such an 24  
important part in the development of our young people, we are 25  
extremely pleased to pay tribute to such a fine athlete as Cooper 26  
Smith; therefore be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st	28
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution,	29
congratulate Cooper Smith on his outstanding season and extend	30
best wishes for continued success; and be it further	31
RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly	32
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Cooper Smith.	33