

As Adopted by the Senate

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S. R. No. 654

Senator Schiavoni

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Mason Matiste as the 2016 Middle School Boys
State Cross Country Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate Mason Matiste on
winning the 2016 Middle School State Championship in boys cross
country; and

WHEREAS, An eighth-grade student at Poland Middle School,
Mason Matiste has combined talent and competitive spirit with the
highest ideals of good sportsmanship to establish himself as a
truly exceptional young athlete. With admirable dedication, he has
worked diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency in cross
country, and as a result, he won every meet this season, including
placing first in the state with a time of 11:02.3 at this year's
Ohio High School Athletic Association Middle School/Junior High
Invitational; and

WHEREAS, Mason Matiste's accomplishments and leadership, both
in and out of competition, are a justifiable source of pride and a
fine reflection not only on him but also on his family, his
teammates, his coaches, his school, and his community. His
unwavering commitment to excellence has earned him the respect and
esteem of many, and he is certainly worthy of high praise; and

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important
role in the total education of our young people, we are extremely
pleased to pay tribute to Mason Matiste on an exemplary season.
Indeed, the same maturity and experience he has gained through his
participation in cross country will greatly aid him in meeting the
challenges of the future; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st

General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend 27
Mason Matiste on his brilliant season and extend best wishes for 28
continued success; and be it further 29

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 30
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Mason Matiste. 31