

**As Adopted by the House**

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**H. R. No. 542**

**Representative Gonzales**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring the Gahanna Lincoln High School girls track and field team as the 2018 Division I State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to commend the Gahanna Lincoln High School girls track and field team on winning the 2018 Division I State Championship; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young women, the Gahanna Lincoln High School girls track and field team is comprised of excellent athletes who collectively worked to showcase the talents of their exceptional squad. The Lions trained diligently, combining the stamina of a relatively young fleet of athletes with the drive of a seasoned group of leaders, and as a result, they amassed 51 points to win this year's Division I State title; and

WHEREAS, Time and again, the members of the Gahanna Lincoln High School girls track and field team have risen to the occasion, amply demonstrating their unflagging determination and the expert guidance provided by their coach, Roger Whittaker, and their impressive maturity and finesse have gained them widespread respect, even among their most daunting rivals. They are certainly deserving of this crown; and

WHEREAS, This triumph, which fulfills the expectations of the loyal fans who followed the team to the championship, attests to the staunch resolve of these young women, and it signifies the acquisition of valuable experience that is sure to benefit them in later life. Thanks in part to the tireless efforts of an exceptionally committed coaching staff and the support of its school family, the Gahanna Lincoln High School girls track and field team has met the demands of an extensive training regimen,

and it has paid handsome dividends; therefore be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 28  
Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 29  
this Resolution, applaud the Gahanna Lincoln High School girls 30  
track and field team as the 2018 Division I State Champion and 31  
salute all those involved with this noteworthy program; and be it 32  
further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 34  
transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the 35  
Gahanna Lincoln High School girls track and field team. 36