

As Adopted by the Senate

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S. R. No. 773

Senators Coley, Wilson

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Conant Smith as the 2018 Division I State Boys
Cross Country Champion

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to
Conant Smith on winning the 2018 Division I State Championship in
boys cross country; and

WHEREAS, This accomplishment is truly noteworthy, for Conant
Smith has clearly demonstrated his talent, perseverance, and
mental and physical fortitude as a long distance runner during his
undefeated season. As this year's Division I State Champion with a
time of 15:43.4, he has exemplified all of the characteristics
that are essential for success both in and out of sports,
including courage, determination, and an innate sense of the
principles of good sportsmanship; and

WHEREAS, In displaying such exceptional prowess as a senior
member of the Middletown High School boys cross country team,
Conant Smith has earned the appreciation of his fellow athletes,
the devotion of countless fans, and the respect of even his most
determined rivals. Competition in long distance running has
enabled him to learn much about dedication and self-discipline,
and we take this opportunity to acknowledge his exceptional record
of achievement; and

WHEREAS, In an education system that seeks to teach
tomorrow's leaders the fundamentals of
self-reliance and the rewards of individual effort, high school
athletics have become a valuable tool. We are proud to salute
Conant Smith's athletic attainment, and we are certain that the
skills he has demonstrated here will aid him against all

challenges he will face; therefore be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 28
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, we commend 29
Conant Smith as the 2018 Division I State Cross Country Champion 30
and offer best wishes for continued success and a bright future; 31
and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 33
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Conant Smith. 34