

**As Offered**

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**H. R. No. 191**

**Representatives Weinstein, Demetriou**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Jayla Atkinson

as a 2023 Division I State Champion in track in field.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 135th 1  
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate Jayla Atkinson on 2  
winning first place in the 800-meter run at the 2023 Division I State 3  
Meet; and 4

WHEREAS, A standout junior member of the Stow-Munroe Falls High 5  
School track and field team, Jayla Atkinson has combined talent and 6  
competitive spirit with the highest ideals of good sportsmanship to 7  
establish herself as a truly exceptional athlete. With admirable 8  
dedication, she has worked diligently toward attaining ultimate 9  
proficiency in her events, and as a result, she placed first in the 10  
800-meter run with a time of 2:10.74 at this year's Division I State 11  
Meet, becoming the first female SMFHS track and field athlete to 12  
secure a state title. She is certainly deserving of high praise; and 13

WHEREAS, Jayla Atkinson's accomplishments and leadership, both in 14  
and out of athletic competition, are a justifiable source of pride and 15  
an outstanding reflection not only on her but also on her family, her 16  
teammates, her coaches, her school, and her community. Indeed, the 17  
same maturity and experience she has gained through her participation 18  
in sports will greatly aid her in meeting the challenges of the 19  
future; and 20

WHEREAS, Jayla Atkinson has conscientiously applied herself to 21  
the quest for excellence as an athlete, training and practicing 22  
diligently in order to ensure peak conditioning. Time and again, she 23  
has risen to the occasion, maintaining her morale, composure, and good 24  
sportsmanship, and she has earned the respect of even her most 25  
determined rivals; therefore be it 26

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 27  
the 135th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 28  
applaud Jayla Atkinson on her personal success and salute her as one 29  
of Ohio's finest young citizens; and be it further 30

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 31  
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to Jayla Atkinson. 32