

**As Adopted by the Senate**

**135th General Assembly  
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**S. R. No. 498**

**Senator Reineke**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring the Mount Gilead High School boys cross country team on securing the 2024 Division III State Championship.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 135th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to the Mount Gilead High School boys cross country team as the 2024 Division III State Champion; and

WHEREAS, The talented Mount Gilead High School boys cross country team is, indeed, to be heartily commended for decisively earning this year's Division III State Championship. The squad's performance, which included amassing 109 points, reflects the outstanding collective effort by a gifted group of athletes, and without exception, the team has devoted countless hours to training and practice in order to ensure peak conditioning. Clearly, this demanding regimen has paid handsome dividends; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Mount Gilead High School boys cross country team have epitomized the power, poise, and precision that befit true champions. Despite sometimes grueling pressure, they have consistently maintained their composure and morale, exhibiting strength, speed, stamina, and agility in every challenging encounter. Time and again, they have risen to the occasion, amply demonstrating their unflagging determination, and their impressive maturity and finesse have earned them widespread respect, even among their most formidable rivals; and

WHEREAS, By weathering a rigorous schedule and prevailing over a host of adversaries, the members of the Mount Gilead High School boys cross country team have learned much about dedication, self-discipline, leadership, and perseverance. Their first-place finish is

a measure of their stalwart commitment to the sport, and their 25  
indomitable spirit has made their families, friends, and coach, Jake 26  
Hayes, incredibly proud; therefore be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 135th General 28  
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, congratulate the Mount 29  
Gilead High School boys cross country team on its brilliant 2024 30  
season and wish its members continued success in all of their future 31  
endeavors; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 33  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Mount Gilead High School 34  
boys cross country team. 35