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Representative Richardson

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Connor Smith as a 2026 NCAA Division III 1
Indoor Track and Field Champion. 2

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 136th 3
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate Connor Smith on 4
winning the 2026 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III 5
Indoor Track and Field Championship title in the high jump; and 6

WHEREAS, A junior at Ohio Wesleyan University, Connor Smith has 7
combined talent and competitive spirit with the highest ideals of good 8
sportsmanship to establish himself as a truly exceptional young 9
athlete. With admirable dedication, he has worked diligently toward 10
attaining ultimate proficiency in track and field, and as a result, he 11
placed first in the high jump with a leap of 2.12 meters and earned 12
All-American first-team honors at this year's NCAA Division III Indoor 13
Championship Meet; and 14

WHEREAS, Connor Smith's accomplishments and leadership, both in 15
and out of competition, are a justifiable source of pride and a fine 16
reflection not only on him but also on his family, his teammates, his 17
coaches, his school, and his hometown. His unwavering commitment to 18
excellence is reflected in his breaking his own personal record, and 19
he has gained the respect and esteem of many; and 20

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important role 21
in the total education of our young people, we are extremely pleased 22
to pay tribute to Connor Smith on an exemplary season. Indeed, the 23
same maturity and experience he has gained through his participation 24
in track and field will greatly aid him in meeting the challenges of 25
the future, and he is certainly worthy of high praise; therefore be it 26

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 27

the 136th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 28
commend Connor Smith on his 2026 NCAA Division III Championship crown 29
and extend best wishes for continued success; and be it further 30

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