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Schiavoni, Eklund, Yuko, Hite, Patton, Bacon, Gardner**

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**A BILL**

To enact section 5.29 of the Revised Code to 1  
designate September 12 as "Jesse Owens Day." 2

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 5.29 of the Revised Code be 3  
enacted to read as follows: 4

**Sec. 5.29.** The twelfth day of September is designated 5  
"Jesse Owens Day," in honor of Jesse Owens, a track and field 6  
champion and national hero, who was born on that day in 1913. 7  
Known affectionately as the Buckeye Bullet, Jesse Owens, 8  
representing The Ohio State University, set three world records 9  
in the 220-yard dash, the 220-yard low hurdles, and the long 10  
jump at the Big Ten track and field finals on May 25, 1935, and, 11  
representing the United States at the 1936 Olympic Games in 12  
Berlin, Germany, won four gold medals, one each in the 100-meter 13  
dash, the 200-meter dash, the long jump, and the 4 x 100-meter 14  
relay. 15