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Senator Oelslager

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Athena Welsh as the 2015 Division III State Cross
Country Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate Athena Welsh on
winning the 2015 Division III State Championship in girls cross
country; and

WHEREAS, A senior at St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Athena
Welsh has combined talent and competitive spirit with the highest
ideals of good sportsmanship to establish herself as a truly
exceptional young athlete. With admirable dedication, she has
worked diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency in cross
country, and as a result, she won this year's Division III State
Championship title with a personal best time of 17:58.6; and

WHEREAS, Athena Welsh's accomplishments and leadership, both
in and out of competition, are a justifiable source of pride and a
fine reflection not only on her but also on her family, her
teammates, her coaches, her school, and her community. Her
unwavering commitment to excellence has earned her the respect and
esteem of many, and she is certainly worthy of high praise; and

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important
role in the total education of our young people, we are extremely
pleased to pay tribute to Athena Welsh on an exemplary season.
Indeed, the same maturity and experience she has gained through
her participation in cross country will greatly aid her in meeting
the challenges of the future; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend
Athena Welsh as the 2015 Division III State Cross Country Champion

and extend best wishes for continued success; and be it further 27

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 28

authenticated copy of this Resolution to Athena Welsh. 29