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**S. R. No. 13**

**Senator Obhof**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring the Lexington High School girls cross country team as the 2018 Division II State Champion

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 133rd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to the Lexington High School girls cross country team on winning the 2018 Division II State Championship; and

WHEREAS, Each member of the Lexington High School girls cross country team is an excellent young athlete, and Coach Denise Benson has demonstrated remarkable energy, enthusiasm, and dedication in guiding this squad to victory. The team built upon the success of previous years to win its second consecutive state title and third in four years, and the unwavering commitment of the members and their coach has earned them this prestigious distinction; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Lexington High School girls cross country team have come together to become a truly exceptional group, and they have emerged as winners both in and out of athletic competition. Denise Benson's skill as a coach is reflected in their outstanding success, and due largely to her tireless efforts, she has gained the respect and admiration of all who know her; and

WHEREAS, In an educational system that seeks to teach the future leaders of our state and nation the fundamentals of self-reliance and the rewards of individual and group effort, athletic competition has become a valuable tool. Through their participation in sports, the members of the Lexington High School girls cross country team have learned lessons of discipline, perseverance, hard work, and good sportsmanship that will

undoubtedly be of great benefit to them throughout their lives; 27  
therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 133rd 29  
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 30  
congratulate the Lexington High School girls cross country team as 31  
the 2018 Division II State Champion and honor all those who 32  
contributed to the success of this fine squad; and be it further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 34  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Lexington High School 35  
girls cross country team. 36