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Representative Hagan

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Jade Smith on receiving a 2018 USTF-CCCA All-Academic Award.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to Jade Smith, a member of the Malone University women's track and field team, on being presented with a 2018 All-Academic Award by the United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association; and

WHEREAS, This accomplishment is truly noteworthy, for Jade Smith has clearly demonstrated her talent and perseverance, as well as her mental and physical fortitude as a runner. During the 2018 season, she earned All-Midwest Region honors in the 10,000-meter and 3,000-meter steeplechase events in the outdoor competition, and she placed third in the 5,000-meter event and fifth in the mile and 3,000-meter events at this year's Great Midwest Athletic Conference indoor championship meet as well as second in the 5,000-meter and third in the steeplechase at the G-MAC outdoor meet. As a result of these accomplishments, she secured a berth at the 2018 NCAA Division II Outdoor National Championships, and she has exemplified all of the characteristics that are essential for success both in and out of the sports world, including courage, determination, and an innate sense of good sportsmanship; and

WHEREAS, In displaying such impressive prowess, Jade Smith has earned the appreciation of her fellow athletes, the devotion of countless fans, and the respect of even her most determined rivals. Competition in athletics has enabled her to learn much about dedication and self-discipline, and we take this opportunity

to acknowledge her exceptional record of achievement; and 27

WHEREAS, Running is an event that requires remarkable 28
stamina and natural ability, and Jade Smith is to be commended for 29
her commitment to this demanding activity. In attaining her 30
athletic goals, she has consistently exhibited the skill and 31
integrity that are the hallmarks of a true champion; therefore be 32
it 33

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 34
Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 35
this Resolution, congratulate Jade Smith on her recent accolade 36
and extend best wishes for continued success; and be it further 37

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 38
transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to Jade 39
Smith. 40