

**As Introduced**

**133rd General Assembly  
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**S. R. No. 28**

**Senator Peterson**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Whitney Stephens as the 2019 Basspro.com Eastern  
Open Champion

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 133rd General 1  
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to Whitney Stephens on 2  
placing first at the 2019 Basspro.com Eastern Open Championship; 3  
and 4

WHEREAS, This achievement is truly noteworthy, for Whitney 5  
Stephens has clearly demonstrated his talent and perseverance, as 6  
well as his mental and physical fortitude as an angler. The winner 7  
of this year's Basspro.com Eastern Open Championship with a total 8  
of 57 pounds, 8 ounces of bass, he has exemplified the 9  
determination and innate sense of the principles of good 10  
sportsmanship that are essential for success both in and out of 11  
the sports world; and 12

WHEREAS, In displaying such exceptional prowess as a 13  
fisherman, Whitney Stephens has set an example worthy of 14  
emulation. Time and again, he has risen to the occasion, 15  
maintaining morale, composure, and tenacity that have earned him 16  
many admirers; and 17

WHEREAS, Fishing is a popular social and recreational outlet 18  
for countless Ohioans, and the skills that Whitney Stephens has 19  
gained from this sport will be of tremendous benefit to him 20  
throughout his life. His accomplishments and leadership are a 21  
justifiable source of pride and an outstanding reflection not only 22  
on him but also on his family and on his community; therefore be 23  
it 24

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 133rd 25

General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution,	26
congratulate Whitney Stephens as the 2019 Basspro.com Eastern Open	27
Champion and extend best wishes for continued success; and be it	28
further	29
RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly	30
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Whitney Stephens.	31