REPRESENTATIVE GARLAND

Honoring Jacob Blankenship on winning the 2012 OHSAA Division I State Championship in the pole vault.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to Jacob Blankenship as the 2012 OHSAA Division I State Pole Vault Champion; and

WHEREAS, Jacob Blankenship is deserving of recognition for the remarkable athletic gifts and indomitable spirit that he has so amply displayed as a member of the Gahanna Lincoln High School track and field team. An exceptional athlete, he competed in the pole vault event and placed first in the Division I Regional Championship and advanced to the OHSAA Division I State Track and Field Meet, where he earned this year's pole vault title. His noteworthy record of personal achievement stands as a hallmark for others to emulate; and

WHEREAS, Through his participation in sports, Jacob Blankenship has learned important lessons of discipline, perseverance, hard work, and good sportsmanship that will undoubtedly be of great benefit to him throughout his life. Through his outstanding efforts, he has inspired countless individuals to excel in various areas of endeavor, and he has set an example worthy of the highest praise; and

WHEREAS, Jacob Blankenship's exceptional prowess has made his family, his friends, and his school very proud. Time and again, he has risen to the occasion, maintaining his morale, composure, and good sportsmanship; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud Jacob Blankenship on his recent achievements and extend best wishes for ongoing success; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to Jacob Blankenship.