1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2 2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022) 3 SENATE RESOLUTION 32 By: Dahm 4 5 6 AS INTRODUCED 7 A Resolution recognizing Emma Weyant as the winner of the NCAA Division I women's 500-yard freestyle race 8 and supporting passage of the Save Women's Sports Act. 9 10 11 WHEREAS, Emma Weyant qualified for the 2020 U.S. Olympics team 12 and competed in the 2021 Tokyo Summer Olympics where she won a 13 silver medal in the women's 400-meter individual medley; and 14 WHEREAS, Weyant currently attends the University of Virginia 15 where she is a member of the women's swim team and made it to the 16 National Collegiate Athletic Association's (NCAA) Division I Women's 17 Swimming and Diving Championships; and 18 WHEREAS, on Thursday, March 17, 2022, Weyant competed in the 19 500-yard freestyle race at the Division I Women's Swimming and 20 Diving Championships, logging the fastest time among all female 21 swimmers; and 22 WHEREAS, a male identifying as a woman was allowed to compete 23 and was declared the winner of the race by the NCAA and Weyant was 24

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determined to come in second place; and

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WHEREAS, the NCAA's actions serve to erode opportunities for women athletes and perpetuate fraud against women athletes as well as the public at large; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2022, the Oklahoma Senate passed the Save Women's Sports Act to preserve fair opportunities for female athletes to demonstrate their strength, skills, and abilities in athletic competitions; and

WHEREAS, the Save Women's Sports Act ensures only biological women can compete on athletic teams designated for females, women, or girls; and

WHEREAS, women have fought for decades to have equal opportunities in athletics, and it is wrong to allow ideology to erode these opportunities as is happening in other states, and the preservation of women-specific athletic teams or sports is necessary to promote equality of athletic opportunities; and

WHEREAS, men should not compete against women in women's sports activities, robbing women and girls of achievements, awards, and scholarships.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma Senate recognizes Emma Weyant as the winner of the NCAA Division I women's 500-yard freestyle race.

THAT the Oklahoma Senate recognizes the Save Women's Sports Act will protect the sanctity of female athletic teams and provide women

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