## As Introduced

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S. R. No. 381

## **Senator LaRose**

## RESOLUTION

Honoring Karen Markling on setting a world record in weightlifting.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to Karen Markling for her outstanding performance at a 2014 International Federation Powerlifting competition; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable individual, Karen Markling has combined talent and competitive spirit with the highest ideals of good sportsmanship to establish herself as a truly exceptional athlete. With admirable dedication, she has worked diligently toward attaining ultimate proficiency in weightlifting, and as a result, she set a world record in thesixty-five-years-old age and 148-pound weight category at a 2014 International Federation Powerlifting competition with a deadlift of 352.7 pounds and qualified for the World Championships; and

WHEREAS, Karen Markling's accomplishments and leadership, both in and out of competition, are a justifiable source of pride and a fine reflection not only on her but also on her family and her community. Her unwavering commitment to excellence has earned her the respect and esteem of many, and she is certainly deserving of high praise; and

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important role in the development of role models for our young people, we are extremely pleased to pay tribute to Karen Markling. Indeed, the responsibility and experience she has gained through her participation in weightlifting will greatly aid her in meeting the challenges of the future; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend Karen Markling on her personal success and salute her as one of Ohio's finest athletes; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to Karen Markling.