

House Resolution 1487

By: Representatives Persinger of the 119th, Gambill of the 15th, Crawford of the 89th, Cox of the 28th, Evans of the 57th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating Atlanta Track Club Elite for their world record performance at the 2026 Penn
2 Classic; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Atlanta Track Club Elite has established and maintained a distinguished
4 tradition of excellence in track and field competition through disciplined preparation,
5 teamwork, and competitive integrity; and

6 WHEREAS, the team has brought much recognition to the State of Georgia by competing
7 at the 2026 Penn Classic held in Philadelphia, where they delivered a historic performance
8 in the indoor men's 4x800-meter relay; and

9 WHEREAS, Clay Pender set the tone for the record-breaking effort with an aggressive
10 lead-off leg, handing the baton to Luke Houser, who sustained the team's pace through the
11 second leg, followed by Luciano Fiore, whose strong third leg positioned the team with a
12 six-second advantage entering the final exchange; and

13 WHEREAS, anchoring the relay, Sean Dolan delivered a commanding final leg, extending
14 the team's lead to nearly 12 seconds at the finish with individual splits of 1:49.69, 1:47.47,
15 1:47.35, and 1:45.79 respectively; and

16 WHEREAS, the team's combined time of 7:10.29 shattered the previous indoor men's
17 4x800-meter relay world record by 1.01 seconds, surpassing the mark set in 2018 and firmly
18 etching Atlanta Track Club Elite into the record books; and

19 WHEREAS, through months of training, coordination, and competition, this extraordinary
20 team has demonstrated unity of purpose, exceptional athletic ability, and competitive
21 excellence worthy of the highest recognition.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body congratulate Atlanta Track Club Elite for their world record
24 performance at the 2026 Penn Classic and extend best wishes for continued success.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Clay
27 Pender, Luke Houser, Luciano Fiore, and Sean Dolan.