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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge the President of the United States to halt the settlement of Syrian refugees in Ohio and the United States. 1
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE SENATE CONCURRING):

WHEREAS, Since 2011, conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic has displaced roughly four million Syrian nationals, many of whom have fled to other Arab nations and to Europe; and 4
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WHEREAS, The United States of America has recently intensified the resettlement of Syrian national refugees due to increased conflict perpetuated by the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria; and 7
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WHEREAS, It is possible that members of the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria, or another radical extremist terrorist organization, could infiltrate the State of Ohio and the United 11
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States of America by claiming Syrian refugee status; and 14

WHEREAS, It is not possible to adequately investigate the 15
legitimacy of each claim of refugee status to prevent members of 16
the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria from entering the United 17
States; and 18

WHEREAS, Security concerns continue to mount regarding the 19
resettlement of Syrian nationals to the State of Ohio and the 20
United States of America; now therefore be it 21

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 131st General 22
Assembly of the State of Ohio urge the President of the United 23
States to prevent the resettlement of Syrian refugees into the 24
State of Ohio as well as the United States of America; and be it 25
further 26

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives is 27
hereby directed to transmit duly authenticated copies of this 28
resolution to the President of the United States, to the United 29
States Secretary of Homeland Security, to the Director of the 30
United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, to the 31
Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, 32
to the President Pro Tempore and the Secretary of the United 33
States Senate, to the members of the Ohio Congressional 34
delegation, and to the news media of Ohio. 35