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H. R. No. 126

Representatives Rogers, Young

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing July 31, 2015, as World Ranger Day.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to recognize World Ranger Day, July 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Organized by the International Ranger Federation, World Ranger Day was established in 2007 to acknowledge the crucial role that the world's park rangers play in preserving our planet's natural systems and endangered species. In addition, it is a day to reflect and honor the nearly one thousand rangers lost in the past decade while performing their duties; and

WHEREAS, Caring for the more than 100,000 reserves, parks, and protected areas around the globe, many park rangers are faced with extreme violence while stopping poachers, a lack of education and equipment, and remote living with low wages, and World Ranger Day is an ideal time to recognize those individuals who are protecting endangered species and ecosystems, rescuing visitors, protecting cultural and historical sites, educating tourists, and engaging local communities in conservation. As support grows for the work done by these valiant people, we applaud the International Ranger Federation and The Thin Green Line and their efforts to help improve the work environment of park rangers by raising the public's awareness, and the success of this observance is a justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on all those associated with this memorable affair; and

WHEREAS, During World Ranger Day, it is, indeed, fitting that we pay tribute to the many people who have helped make this occasion possible, and their unwavering dedication to service and achievement is deserving of admiration. We are certain that this worthy event will continue in the tradition of excellence that has become its hallmark; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, recognize World Ranger Day 2015 and salute all those who have supported this endeavor; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit duly authenticated copies of this Resolution to the news media of Ohio.