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H. R. No. 164

Representative Hall

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the City of Ashland on its Two Hundredth Anniversary.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to recognize the City of Ashland on its Bicentennial, celebrated June 27, 2015; and

WHEREAS, This is, indeed, an auspicious milestone, and congratulations are certainly in order. Since its inception two hundred years ago, the City of Ashland has experienced dramatic growth and change, and yet, commendably, even as its residents have exuberantly embraced the promise of a bright future, they have never relinquished their appreciation for the worthiest virtues of the past. Without sacrificing their sense of tradition in the name of progress, the people of Ashland have managed to nurture a fresh perspective and a positive outlook that endear this distinctive place to all who know it well; and

WHEREAS, Two centuries after it was founded, the City of Ashland still radiates vitality, optimism, and a charm all its own. Clearly, it is a place of many engaging qualities, and its schools, businesses, and civic organizations both embody and thrive upon the values of which our flag is an emblem. A vigorous commitment to public service and an earnest devotion to lofty ideals have long been second nature to most of Ashland's residents, and vigilance, industriousness, and generosity have come to typify their collective character; and

WHEREAS, Every state depends upon such vibrant, durable

communities as the City of Ashland for its own survival and stability. Although it has known adversity and tribulation, it also has been favored with its share of blessings. Under the guidance of its current administration, distinguished by impeccable integrity, sound judgment, and an expansive, purposeful vision, Ashland is sure to remain on its admirable course and to continue to transform challenges into opportunities; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud the City of Ashland as it commemorates its Bicentennial and offer our best wishes for its perennial good fortune; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the City of Ashland.