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**Senator Thomas
Cosponsor: Senator Williams**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge municipal corporations throughout the state to 1
adopt a Municipal Identification Card Program. 2

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING):**

WHEREAS, Ohio is home to thousands of citizens without a 3
permanent residence; and 4

WHEREAS, Ohio is home to thousands of foster youth; and 5

WHEREAS, Ohio is home to citizens who do not wish to be 6
identified by the gender listed on their state-issued birth 7
certificate; and 8

WHEREAS, These citizens and countless others face barriers 9
to obtaining a state-issued identification card; and 10

WHEREAS, These citizens are the most vulnerable among us; 11
and 12

WHEREAS, Issuance of municipal identification cards is 13
helpful in the protection of public safety, regardless of a 14
recipient's immigration status, employment status, housing 15
status, age, or gender identification; and 16

WHEREAS, Cities around the United States that have adopted 17
a Municipal Identification Card Program have benefited from an 18

environment of inclusiveness and increased connectivity to 19
important institutions; and 20

WHEREAS, Cities around the United States that have adopted 21
a Municipal Identification Card Program have fostered an 22
increased sense of unity and civic pride; now therefore be it 23

RESOLVED, That the municipal governments of this state 24
respectfully are urged to adopt a Municipal Identification Card 25
Program; and be it further 26

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly 27
authenticated copies of this resolution to the Governor and to 28
the news media of Ohio. 29