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Senators LaRose, Sawyer

A RESOLUTION

In memory of Robert J. Otterman.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General
Assembly of Ohio offer our profound sympathies to the family and
friends of Robert J. Otterman on the sorrowful occasion of his
death; and

WHEREAS, Although there are no words to ease the sorrow now
felt, surely there is solace in the remembrance of having known
such an outstanding individual as Bob Otterman. A decorated U.S.
Marine Corps veteran of the Korean War and a former high school
social studies teacher and guidance counselor, he served nearly
thirty years on the Akron City Council before being elected to the
Ohio House of Representatives in 2000, holding that post until
2007, and he later returned to the Akron City Council for a short
stint before becoming the senior citizen liaison for Summit
County. For all of his endeavors, he received several honors and
awards, including being inducted into the Ohio Veterans Hall of
Fame; and

WHEREAS, Bob Otterman's zealous love of life and his selfless
concern for the welfare of others distinguished him as an
outstanding human being and a leading citizen, and he will long be
remembered as a man who contributed a great deal to his community
and state. It is our sincere hope that his memory will be a source
of comfort to those who loved and cherished him, including his two
children, John and Robyn, and his five grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Giving of his time and talent far beyond what was
required or expected, Bob Otterman displayed exceptional civic
concern and insight, and his efforts will certainly live beyond
him. The warmth and understanding he so readily extended to others
will stand as a testament to his personal character, and his

memory will remain forever in the hearts of all who knew him; 29
therefore be it 30

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 31
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, mourn the 32
loss and salute the memory of a truly special man, Robert J. 33
Otterman; and be it further 34

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 35
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Robert J. 36
Otterman. 37