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Senator Thomas

**Cosponsors: Senators Schiavoni, Tavares, Skindell, Williams, Yuko, Sykes,
O'Brien, Brown**

A RESOLUTION

To urge the Congress of the United States to enact 1
legislation rescinding the January 27, 2017, 2
presidential executive order regarding 3
immigration and limiting the authority of the 4
President of the United States to prohibit 5
classes of persons from entering the United 6
States. 7

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

WHEREAS, On January 27, 2017, the President of the United 8
States issued an executive order generally prohibiting persons 9
from Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen from 10
entering the United States for a period of 90 days; suspending 11
the United States Refugee Admissions program for a period of 120 12
days; and indefinitely prohibiting Syrian nationals from 13
entering the United States as refugees; and 14

WHEREAS, The executive order is blatantly discriminatory 15
and is repugnant to the principles on which our nation was 16
founded; and 17

WHEREAS, No legitimate national security concern exists to 18
justify banning refugees from entering the United States; and 19

WHEREAS, Given the severity of the consequences of the 20

executive order, the President of the United States should not 21
be able to take such actions unilaterally; now therefore be it 22

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the State 23
of Ohio, urge the Congress of the United States immediately to 24
enact legislation rescinding the executive order and limiting 25
the authority of the President of the United States to prohibit 26
classes of persons from entering the United States under the 27
Immigration and Nationality Act; and be it further 28

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly 29
authenticated copies of this resolution to the President and 30
Vice President of the United States, to the President Pro 31
Tempore and Secretary of the United States Senate, to the 32
Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, 33
to each member of the Ohio congressional delegation, and to the 34
news media of Ohio. 35