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**S. R. No. 250**

**Senator Obhof**

**Cosponsors: Senators Oelslager, Bacon, Balderson, Beagle, Brown, Burke,  
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Skindell, Sykes, Tavares, Terhar, Thomas, Uecker, Williams, Wilson, Yuko**

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**A RESOLUTION**

In memory of Congressman Ralph S. Regula.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General 1  
Assembly of Ohio were deeply saddened to learn of the death of the 2  
Honorable Ralph S. Regula and extend our heartfelt condolences to 3  
his family and friends; and 4

WHEREAS, Ralph Regula left an indelible impression on the 5  
people whose lives he touched, and he will be remembered as a 6  
spirited individual who contributed immeasurably to the world 7  
around him through his time in the U.S. Navy, a teacher, an 8  
attorney, and his work in public service. During his time in 9  
office, he served as a member of the Ohio Senate, the Ohio House 10  
of Representatives, and the state Board of Education before being 11  
elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1972, a 12  
post he held for thirty-six years. He was an effective and 13  
responsible public servant who consistently demonstrated his love 14  
for Ohio and his sincere desire to serve its people. Ralph Regula 15  
worked tireless on behalf of Northeast Ohio toward the creation of 16  
numerous initiatives such as the Cuyahoga Valley National 17  
Recreation Area, the Ohio and Erie Canal National Heritage 18  
Corridor, the National First Ladies' Library, the Northeastern 19  
Ohio Universities College of Medicine, and Stark State College; 20  
and 21

WHEREAS, Ralph Regula's passion for helping his fellow 22  
citizens was clearly evident through his devotion to his family, 23

friends, and community. Giving generously of his energy and 24  
abilities in all of his endeavors, he displayed exceptional 25  
concern and insight, and his absence will be keenly felt; and 26

WHEREAS, A loving husband to his wife, Mary, and a dedicated 27  
father to his three children, Ralph Regula always used his talents 28  
to the benefit of others, and the laurels of his life stand as a 29  
tribute not only to him but also to those he left behind. Although 30  
the void created by his death can never be filled, the legacy of 31  
care and commitment he established will surely live on. The world 32  
is a richer place for his having been in it, and he will be sorely 33  
missed; therefore be it 34

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 35  
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, express a 36  
profound sense of loss and sincere regret at the death of the 37  
Honorable Ralph S. Regula and, in so doing, pay tribute to the 38  
memory of a truly unique individual; and be it further 39

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 40  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Congressman 41  
Ralph S. Regula. 42