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Senator Bacon

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Schiavoni, Skindell, Sykes, Tavares, Terhar, Thomas, Uecker, Williams,
Wilson, Yuko**

A RESOLUTION

In memory of Officer Anthony Morelli.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General 1
Assembly of Ohio are deeply saddened to learn of the death of 2
Officer Anthony Morelli and extend our heartfelt condolences to 3
his family and friends; and 4

WHEREAS, Anthony Morelli 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. A thirty-year veteran of the Westerville Division of 8
Police, he was the recipient of numerous accolades, including the 9
2012 Officer of the Year Award, and he was killed in the line of 10
duty on February 10, 2018. His contributions to his profession 11
were, indeed, noteworthy; and 12

WHEREAS, Giving generously of his energy and abilities, 13
Anthony Morelli displayed exceptional concern and insight, and he 14
was tireless in his efforts to better the world around him. 15
Without a doubt, he was a devoted husband to his wife, Linda, and 16
a loving father to his children, and he always used his talents to 17
the benefit of others. Although the void his death has created can 18
never be filled, the legacy of care and commitment he established 19
will surely live on, and his absence will be keenly felt; and 20

WHEREAS, At a time when many people are content to take a 21
passive role in life, law enforcement officers often risk their 22
own safety, and in fact their lives, to ensure the well-being of 23
their fellow citizens. The devotion to duty that Anthony Morelli 24
showed in all of his endeavors earned him the genuine respect and 25
gratitude of his colleagues and of the community he so capably 26
served. The world is a richer place for his having been in it, and 27
he will be sorely missed; therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 29
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, express a 30
profound sense of loss and sincere regret at the death of 31
Officer Anthony Morelli and, in so doing, salute the memory of a 32
truly unique man; and be it further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 34
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Officer 35
Anthony Morelli. 36