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## A RESOLUTION

In memory of Charlotte A. Bell.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio extend heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Charlotte A. Bell in their time of bereavement; and

WHEREAS, Although there are no words to ease the sadness now felt, surely there is solace in having been touched by such an outstanding person as Charlotte Bell. The love, compassion, and understanding which she so readily extended to others will long remain in the hearts and minds of all who knew and loved her; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Bell left an indelible impression on the people whose lives she touched, and she will long be remembered as a spirited individual who contributed immeasurably to the world around her. A founding member of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women Columbus Chapter, she was a dedicated to raising awareness of Lupus and its impact on the African-American community, and she formed an Urban Lupus Support Group and testified before the Ohio House of Representatives to secure state funding for Lupus programs. She established a legacy which will surely live on; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Bell's concern for improving the quality19of life in our society was clearly evident in the number of honors20bestowed upon her, including having the Franklin County ADAMH21

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Therapeutic Residential Facility renamed The Bell Center in honor 22 of her work in the areas of mental health and addiction disorders. 23 In addition, she was active with the People of Color/Survivors of 24 Suicide support group, which she helped establish, and the Ohio 25 Department of Mental Health Suicide Prevention Planning Committee, 26 which founded the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation. Giving 27 generously of her time, energy, and abilities far beyond what was 28 required or expected, she displayed exceptional concern and 29 insight and was tireless in her efforts to better society for 30 future generations; therefore be it 31

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 125th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, pay tribute to the memory of a truly honorable woman, Charlotte A. Bell; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 36 authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Charlotte 37 A. Bell. 38

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