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A BILL

To enact sections 5.238, 5.239, and 5.2310 of the Revised Code to designate the month of November as "One Health Awareness Month," to create the Malnutrition Prevention Commission to study malnutrition among older adults, to designate May 15 as "All for the Kids Awareness Day," and to designate May 1 as "Fanconi Anemia Awareness Day." 1
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 5.238, 5.239, and 5.2310 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 9
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Sec. 5.238. The fifteenth day of May is designated as "All for the Kids Awareness Day." 11
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Sec. 5.239. The month of November is designated as "One Health Awareness Month" to increase public awareness and 13
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understanding of the connections between human, animal, and 15
ecosystem health. 16

Sec. 5.2310. The first day of May is designated as 17
"Fanconi Anemia Awareness Day" in honor of those affected by 18
this rare and debilitating genetic disease. 19

Section 2. (A) As used in this section and in Section 3 of 20
this act, "older adult" means a person sixty years of age or 21
older. 22

(B) There is hereby created the Malnutrition Prevention 23
Commission, consisting of the following members: 24

(1) The Director of Health or the Director's designee; 25

(2) The Director of Aging or the Director's designee; 26

(3) The Director of Job and Family Services or the 27
Director's designee; 28

(4) The Director of Agriculture or the Director's 29
designee; 30

(5) The Executive Director of the Commission on Minority 31
Health or the Executive Director's designee; 32

(6) The chairpersons of the standing committees of the 33
House of Representatives and Senate with primary responsibility 34
for health legislation; 35

(7) The following individuals appointed by the Governor: 36

(a) A physician authorized by Chapter 4731. of the Revised 37
Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine 38
and surgery; 39

(b) A university researcher with expertise in the field of 40
gerontology, nutrition, or both; 41

(c) A dietitian licensed under Chapter 4759. of the 42
Revised Code who is actively involved with a program funded 43
under the "Older Americans Act of 1965," 42 U.S.C. 3001; 44

(d) An individual who represents hospitals or integrated 45
health systems; 46

(e) Two registered nurses licensed under Chapter 4723. of 47
the Revised Code who actively provide home health care; 48

(f) A dietitian licensed under Chapter 4759. of the 49
Revised Code who actively practices in a nursing home, as 50
defined in section 3721.01 of the Revised Code; 51

(g) A dietitian licensed under Chapter 4759. of the 52
Revised Code who represents the Ohio Academy of Nutrition and 53
Dietetics; 54

(h) An individual who represents the Ohio Association of 55
Area Agencies on Aging. 56

(C) The Commission members described in division (B) (7) of 57
this section shall be appointed not later than thirty days after 58
the effective date of this section. An appointed member shall 59
hold office until the Commission ceases to exist. A vacancy 60
shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. 61

The Director of Health or the Director's designee shall 62
serve as chairperson of the Commission. 63

A member shall serve without compensation except to the 64
extent that serving on the Commission is considered part of the 65
member's regular duties of employment. 66

Section 3. (A) The Malnutrition Prevention Commission 67
created under Section 2 of this act shall do all of the 68
following: 69

(1) Study the impact of malnutrition on older adults in all health care settings in this state;	70 71
(2) Investigate effective strategies for reducing the incidence of malnutrition among older adults;	72 73
(3) Monitor the influence of malnutrition on older adults' health care costs and outcomes, quality indicators, and quality of life measures;	74 75 76
(4) Develop strategies for improving data collection and analysis regarding malnutrition risks, health care costs, and protective factors for older adults;	77 78 79
(5) Develop strategies for maximizing the dissemination of proven, effective malnutrition prevention intervention models, including community nutrition programs, medical nutrition therapy, and oral nutrition supplements;	80 81 82 83
(6) Identify evidence-based strategies that raise public awareness of malnutrition among older adults, such as educational materials, social marketing, and statewide campaigns;	84 85 86 87
(7) Identify evidence-based malnutrition prevention intervention models, including community nutrition programs, that reduce the rate of malnutrition among older adults and reduce the rate of rehospitalizations due to conditions caused by malnutrition, and identify barriers to those intervention models;	88 89 90 91 92 93
(8) Identify models for integrating the value of malnutrition care into health care quality evaluations across health care payment models;	94 95 96
(9) Examine the components and key elements of	97

malnutrition prevention intervention initiatives, consider their 98
applicability in this state, and develop strategies for testing, 99
implementation, and evaluation of the initiatives. 100

(B) The Commission shall prepare a report of its findings 101
and recommendations. Not later than twelve months after the 102
effective date of this section, the Commission shall submit a 103
copy of the report to the Governor and, in accordance with 104
section 101.68 of the Revised Code, the General Assembly. The 105
Commission shall cease to exist upon the submission of the 106
report. 107