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**Representatives Sheehy, Fedor**

**Cosponsors: Representatives Antonio, Boyd, Leland, Patterson, Ramos, Smith,  
K., Strahorn**

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**A R E S O L U T I O N**

To encourage support for the agreement reached 1  
between Ontario, Michigan, and Ohio regarding the 2  
reduction of phosphorous in the western basin of 3  
Lake Erie. 4

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF  
OHIO:**

WHEREAS, The city of Toledo, Ohio, experienced a three-day 5  
ban on the use of drinking water in the summer of 2014 due to 6  
the presence of algal blooms; and 7

WHEREAS, Phosphorous from fertilizer runoff has been 8  
attributed to encouraging the growth of harmful algal blooms; 9  
and 10

WHEREAS, Ontario, Michigan, and Ohio have agreed to reduce 11  
phosphorous in the western basin of Lake Erie by 40% over the 12  
next ten years and have set an interim goal of a 20% reduction 13  
in phosphorous by the year 2020; now therefore be it 14

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 15  
Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of the State of 16  
Ohio, in adopting this resolution encourage support for the 17  
agreement reached between Ontario, Michigan, and Ohio regarding 18

the reduction of phosphorous in the Lake Erie western basin; and 19  
be it further 20

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 21  
send duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the news 22  
media of Ohio. 23

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