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**S. R. No. 314**

**Senators Jordan, Hughes, Patton**

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**A RESOLUTION**

In memory of Thomas Cottrell.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Thomas Cottrell and extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Cottrell left an indelible impression on the people whose lives he touched, and he will be remembered as a spirited individual who contributed immeasurably to the world around him. A member of the Danville Police Department, he died in the line of duty on January 17, 2016, and his absence will be keenly felt; and

WHEREAS, Giving generously of his energy and abilities, Thomas Cottrell displayed exceptional concern and insight and was tireless in his work to better the world around him. He always used his talents to the benefit of those around him, and although the void his death has created can never be filled, the legacy of care and commitment he established will surely live on; and

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

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, express a profound sense of loss and sincere regret at the death of Thomas

Cottrell and, in so doing, pay tribute to the memory of a truly 28  
unique individual; and be it further 29

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 30  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Thomas 31  
Cottrell. 32