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**Senator Faber**

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### A RESOLUTION

In memory of Delbert L. Latta.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General  
Assembly of Ohio offer our deepest sympathy and heartfelt  
condolences to the family and many friends of Delbert L. Latta on  
the sorrowful occasion of his death; 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 Delbert Latta. A veteran of the Ohio  
National Guard and the U.S. Army and Marine Corps Reserve, he  
served as a lawyer in private practice and a teacher at Ohio  
Northern University before being elected to the Ohio Senate in  
1952 and the U.S. House of Representatives in 1958, and during his  
thirty-year tenure as the representative for Ohio's 5th district,  
he served as a member of the Agriculture, Export Controls,  
Judiciary, Budget, Rules, and Republican Leadership committees.  
The love, compassion, and understanding that he so readily  
extended to others, including his wife,  
Rose Mary, his two children, Rose and Robert, his five  
grandchildren, Peter, David, Andrew, Elizabeth, and Maria, and his  
three great-grandchildren, Olivia, Hazel, and Noah, will long  
remain in the hearts and minds of all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, Delbert Latta left an indelible impression on the  
people whose lives he touched, and he will long be remembered as a  
spirited individual who contributed immeasurably to the world

around him. One of state senator Latta's key achievements was 24  
leading the effort to develop the Causeway to Cedar Point, which 25  
contributed greatly to the growth of one of America's best known 26  
theme parks. In addition, he was active with such organizations as 27  
the Bowling Green State University, Defiance College, and Ashland 28  
College John Ashbrook Center boards of trustees, the American 29  
Legion, and McComb Church of Christ, and he demonstrated an 30  
unwavering commitment to service--a legacy that will surely live 31  
on; and 32

WHEREAS, Delbert Latta's concern for improving the quality of 33  
life in our society was clearly evident in the number of accolades 34  
and awards bestowed upon him, including having the Delbert L. 35  
Latta Post Office Building named in his honor. Giving generously 36  
of his time, energy, and abilities far beyond what was required or 37  
expected, he displayed exceptional concern and insight and was 38  
tireless in his efforts to better the world around him; therefore 39  
be it 40

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 41  
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, pay tribute 42  
to the memory of a truly honorable man, Delbert L. Latta; and be 43  
it further 44

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 45  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Delbert L. 46  
Latta. 47