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Representative Pelanda

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Ronette "Roni" Burkes as Ohio's Warden of the Year.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 1
132nd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to commend Ronette 2
"Roni" Burkes on being named Warden of the Year by the Ohio 3
Department of Rehabilitation and Correction; and 4

WHEREAS, In being chosen for this prestigious honor, Roni 5
Burkes has been recognized for her high degree of personal 6
initiative, her dedication to carrying out her assignments, and 7
her devotion to excellence on the job as warden at the Ohio 8
Reformatory for Women. Throughout her more than sixteen-year 9
tenure with the State of Ohio, she has served as a volunteer at 10
the reformatory, a victim advocate, an administrative assistant, 11
and a deputy warden, and she was promoted to warden of the 12
Marysville facility in 2013; and 13

WHEREAS, It is through the work of individuals such as Roni 14
Burkes that Ohio's justice and correctional systems continue to be 15
effective in serving the needs of residents. She has ably 16
safeguarded local citizens by working with criminal offenders 17
during their incarceration, and her contributions to this 18
profession are worthy of emulation; and 19

WHEREAS, Over the years, Roni Burkes has striven to better 20
the world around her. We are certain that in the years to come, 21
she will continue to display the same unwavering commitment to 22
excellence for which she has become known, and she is truly 23
deserving of high praise; therefore be it 24

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 25

Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 26
this Resolution, salute Ronette "Roni" Burkes on this esteemed 27
honor and extend best wishes for the future; and be it further 28

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 29
transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to Ronette 30
"Roni" Burkes. 31