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Senators Hottinger, Bacon

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Larry Flowers on his retirement as the state fire marshal.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to Larry Flowers on the memorable occasion of his retirement as the fire marshal for the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his distinguished career in the fire service, Larry Flowers has demonstrated an unwavering dedication to performing his duties and fulfilling his responsibilities with the utmost efficiency and competence. Commencing his career with the Madison Township Fire Department as a volunteer in 1970, he became a full-time firefighter and paramedic in 1974 and was named chief in 1978, holding the post until his retirement in 2000. Also serving as a member of the Ohio House of Representatives from 2001 to 2008, he was appointed the state fire marshal in 2011, and during his tenure, he was instrumental in increasing training and equipment grants and revolving loans to local fire departments, as well as implementing the direct delivery process; and

WHEREAS, Larry Flowers is, indeed, a remarkable individual, combining civic concern with selfless initiative to become a dynamic leader in the State of Ohio. Always sincere and energetic in his approach to his work, he has given generously of his time and abilities far beyond what was required or expected and has displayed a genuine commitment to improving the quality of life in our society; and

WHEREAS, The enthusiasm and expertise Larry Flowers has shown in his endeavors have earned him the respect and esteem of many. As he retires, he has the satisfaction of knowing that he has provided a valuable service to our state and has established a

record of personal and professional achievement that will stand as 28
a hallmark for others to emulate; therefore be it 29

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 30
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 31
congratulate Larry Flowers on his retirement and salute him as one 32
of Ohio's finest citizens; and be it further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 34
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Larry Flowers. 35