

As Introduced

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Senator Balderson

Cosponsors: Senators Sykes, Yuko, Williams, Coley, Hackett

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Freemasons of Ohio on the Tercentenary of the
creation of the modern Masonic fraternity.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General 1
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to the 2
Freemasons of Ohio on the Three Hundredth Anniversary of 3
Freemasonry; and 4

WHEREAS, Celebration of this prestigious milestone, marking 5
the establishment of the United Grand Lodge of England, recalls 6
the time when four lodges of the Free and Accepted Masons in 7
London, England, joined together to revive the tradition of 8
feasting on St. John the Baptist Day and on St. John the 9
Evangelist Day. This is, indeed, a fitting time to pay tribute to 10
the Freemasons of Ohio, for it has attained a praiseworthy record 11
of service. The achievements of the group are a justifiable source 12
of pride and an excellent reflection not only on the organization 13
itself but also on its devoted members, for these individuals have 14
distinguished themselves as conscientious and hard-working 15
Ohioans; and 16

WHEREAS, On this occasion, the Freemasons of Ohio, which is 17
comprised of the Grand Lodge of Ohio and the Prince Hall Grand 18
Lodge of Ohio, has the opportunity to reaffirm its goals and to 19
formulate policies to meet the challenges and responsibilities of 20
the future. All those involved with this endeavor have displayed 21
exceptional initiative and compassion, and we applaud them on 22
their commitment to bettering the world around them; and 23

WHEREAS, Over the years, the Freemasons of Ohio has enhanced 24
the quality of life in our society, and through its generous 25

contributions, it has gained the esteem and gratitude of all those 26
it has so capably served. We are certain that as this worthy 27
Masonic group maintains its dedication to service, it will 28
continue in the tradition of excellence that has long been the 29
hallmark of Freemasonry; therefore be it 30

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 31
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the 32
Freemasons of Ohio on the Three Hundredth Anniversary of 33
Freemasonry and extend best wishes for ongoing success; and be it 34
further 35

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 36
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Freemasons of Ohio. 37