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S. R. No. 737

Senator McColley

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Robert Stuart Rowland as a French Knight of the
Legion of Honor.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General 1
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to Robert Stuart 2
Rowland on being presented with the Knight of the Legion of Honor 3
Medal by the French government; and 4

WHEREAS, Established by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802, the 5
Knight of the Legion of Honor Medal is bestowed upon those who 6
achieve remarkable deeds for France, and Robert Rowland is 7
receiving this award for his help to liberate that nation from 8
German occupation during World War II. Carrying with it the rank 9
of knight, this distinction has been accorded to him for his 10
outstanding service as a member of the United States armed forces, 11
and he is deserving of the highest praise; and 12

WHEREAS, America has remained strong through the efforts of 13
individuals such as Robert Rowland who have demonstrated a 14
commendable sense of duty, dedication to the noble principles of 15
democracy, and love of country through exemplary military service. 16
Indeed, his family, his friends, and the citizens of Ohio and the 17
United States can be proud that he helped preserve our nation's 18
traditions of courage and excellence; and 19

WHEREAS, It is imperative that we openly express our debt to 20
the men and women who have served honorably in America's armed 21
forces, bearing this country's standard with courage, dignity, and 22
decency. Robert Rowland's numerous accomplishments are likely to 23
impel others to re-examine their own identities as American 24
citizens and to reflect more conscientiously on our incomparable 25
freedoms and solemn duties; therefore be it 26

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd	27
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution,	28
congratulate Robert Stuart Rowland on this special distinction and	29
salute him as a fine Ohioan; and be it further	30
RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly	31
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Robert Stuart Rowland.	32