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Senators Schaffer, Hottinger

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Buckeye Lake on its One Hundred Twenty-fifth Anniversary.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 133rd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate Buckeye Lake on the celebration of its One Hundred Twenty-fifth Anniversary, May 21, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Created as a part of the Ohio and Erie Canal project, Buckeye Lake was originally called the Licking Summit Reservoir, and it served as a source of water for the canal before the demise of the canal system. Renamed by the Ohio State Legislature in 1894, the lake has since become a beloved recreational location for generations of Ohioans, and its contributions to our state's cultural heritage are truly praiseworthy; and

WHEREAS, Named a state park in 1949, Buckeye Lake has undergone great upheaval over the past one hundred twenty-five years, but it has endured and has come to represent the natural splendor of Ohio. Looking at the lake now with its proud history of leisure and summertime fun, and knowing its origins as swampland before the damming of the South Fork of the Licking River, it is easy to see it as a representation of man's ability to shape our environment to suit our needs without compromising the wonder of our state; and

WHEREAS, It is impossible to celebrate the anniversary of Buckeye Lake without paying tribute to the numerous individuals who have helped preserve the beauty, and even the very existence, of the lake. From the dedicated people who help keep the area pristine to all those associated with the project to restore the

dam when the lake was in danger of dam failure, they have all 27
proven themselves to be exemplary Ohioans; therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 133rd 29
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, revel in 30
the One Hundred Twenty-fifth Anniversary of Buckeye Lake and look 31
to the area's future with optimism; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 33
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Buckeye Lake State Park. 34