

As Adopted by the Senate

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S. R. No. 412

Senator Hackett

A RESOLUTION

In memory of Deputy Matthew Eugene Yates.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 134th General Assembly of Ohio have learned, with deepest regret, of the passing of Deputy Matthew Eugene Yates and pay tribute to his memory; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Yates will be remembered fondly by all those who knew and loved him, and his absence will leave an irreparable void in our society. A fifteen-year member of the Clark County Sheriff's Department, he was admired by friends and family alike for his positive philosophy of life and his dedication to others; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Yates made the world much fuller, especially for the individuals who had a treasured relationship with him, including his wife, Tracy, his children, A'kaylehana, Anthony, and Andrew, and his parents, Lisa and Eugene. It is our hope that those he left behind can find strength in the love of family, warmth in the embrace of friends, and solace in the happy memories of this exceptional man; and

WHEREAS, At a time when many people are content to take a passive role in life, law enforcement officers often risk their own safety, and in fact their lives, to ensure the well-being of their fellow citizens. The devotion to duty that Matthew Yates showed in all of his endeavors earned him the genuine respect and gratitude of his colleagues and of the community he so capably served. Clearly, Ohio is a richer place for his having been in it, and he will be truly missed; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 134th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, express a profound sense of loss and sincere regret at the death of Deputy Matthew Eugene Yates and, in so doing, pay homage to the memory of an honorable

public servant; and be it further 27

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 28
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Deputy Matthew 29
Eugene Yates. 30