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**H. C. R. No. 18**

**Representative Richardson**

**Cosponsors: Representatives Abrams, Carruthers, Claggett, Dean, Gross, Holmes, Johnson, Klopfenstein, Mathews, Miller, K., Pavliga, Peterson, Pizzulli, Robb Blasdel, Schmidt, Swearingen, Wiggam, Young, T., Bird, Cross, Dobos, Edwards, Ghanbari, Hillyer, Jones, LaRe, Lear, Plummer, Ray, Seitz, Willis, Speaker Stephens**

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**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge the United States Congress to enact the Safeguard 1  
American Voter Eligibility (SAVE) Act. 2

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE SENATE CONCURRING):**

WHEREAS, It is a constitutional right and privilege of 3  
citizens of the United States of America to vote in free and 4  
fair elections; and 5

WHEREAS, In order to protect the constitutional right and 6  
privilege of a citizen to vote, it is necessary to ensure our 7  
elections are safe and secure; and 8

WHEREAS, Safe and secure elections require election laws 9  
that prohibit and protect against noncitizens and foreign 10  
nationals voting; and 11

WHEREAS, The best way to ensure noncitizens and foreign 12  
nationals are prohibited from voting is to have safeguards, 13  
which require documentary proof of citizenship in order to 14  
register to vote and to allow states to remove noncitizens and 15

foreign nationals from existing voter rolls; and 16

WHEREAS, The issue of noncitizens and foreign nationals 17  
illegally voting is all the more urgent given the millions of 18  
noncitizens who have illegally entered our country as a result of 19  
the federal government's failure to police our borders; and 20

WHEREAS, On May 8, 2024, members of the U.S. House of 21  
Representatives and U.S. Senate introduced the Safeguard 22  
American Voter Eligibility (SAVE) Act; and 23

WHEREAS, The SAVE Act requires states to obtain proof of 24  
citizenship in person when registering a person to vote; and 25

WHEREAS, The SAVE Act requires states to remove noncitizens 26  
from existing voter rolls; and 27

WHEREAS, By implementing these requirements, the SAVE Act 28  
would uphold and strengthen current law permitting only U.S. 29  
citizens to vote in federal elections; now therefore be it 30

RESOLVED, That we, the members of 135th General Assembly of 31  
the State of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, urge the United 32  
States Congress to quickly enact the SAVE Act; and be it further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 34  
transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the 35  
President Pro Tempore and Secretary of the United States Senate, 36  
the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of 37  
Representatives, each member of the Ohio Congressional 38  
delegation, and the news media of Ohio. 39