

As Reported by the Senate Government Oversight Committee

**135th General Assembly
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S. C. R. No. 5

Senators Craig, Lang

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To support and encourage the work of the Ohio Commission for 1
the United States Semiquincentennial in celebrating the 2
nation's 250th anniversary. 3

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

WHEREAS, The 250th anniversary of the United States of 4
America will be observed nationally in 2026; and 5

WHEREAS, Every state will observe the nation's 250th 6
anniversary in a myriad of ways to suit each state's history and 7
contributions to the national narrative; and 8

WHEREAS, The 134th Ohio General Assembly created the Ohio 9
Commission for the U.S. Semiquincentennial (Section 149.309 of 10
the Revised Code) in 2021 to help prepare Ohio to "plan, 11
encourage, develop, and coordinate the commemoration of the two 12
hundred fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the United 13
States and the impact of Ohioans on the nation's past, present, 14
and future"; and 15

WHEREAS, The Ohio Commission for the U.S. 16
Semiquincentennial has produced a report entitled 17
"Recommendations to the People of Ohio," which includes more 18
than 40 substantive ideas to engage Ohioans and Ohio communities 19
in the nation's upcoming anniversary; and 20

WHEREAS, Ohioans desire to play a leading role in the 21
nation's anniversary not just in 2026, but also in the years 22
leading up to 2026; now therefore be it 23

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 135th General 24
Assembly of the State of Ohio, are committed to supporting the 25
work of the Ohio Commission of the U.S. Semiquincentennial and 26
participating fully and enthusiastically in the nation's 250th 27
anniversary, which culminates on July 4, 2026; and be it further 28

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly 29
authenticated copies of this resolution to the Governor and news 30
media of Ohio. 31