

As Introduced

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S. R. No. 245

Senator Reynolds

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Mark Lowrie as the 2024 Ohio Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 135th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate Mark Lowrie on being named the 2024 Ohio Teacher of the Year by the State Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Selection for this prestigious accolade is an honor of which Mark Lowrie can be justly proud, for he has been recognized for his exceptional skill, commitment, and professionalism. A broadcast journalism teacher at Gahanna Lincoln High School for the past four years, he has designed new courses and increased enrollment in the curriculum, while also serving as an assistant coach for the varsity football team, the assistant athletic director, an advisor to the National Honor Society, and a member of the union negotiating team. The recipient of such accolades as the 2022 Ohio University Scripps College of Communication Fellowship, he has worked diligently to channel the natural energy and curiosity of students into meaningful inquiry, thereby helping them to gain a better understanding of the world around them. Indeed, he has consistently inspired his students to excel, and their efforts have earned recognition from the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Mark Lowrie has made many significant contributions to improving the quality of life in our society. Through his decisive leadership and unfaltering dedication to service, he has certainly distinguished himself as a conscientious and hard-working Ohioan; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career in the field of education, Mark Lowrie has supported countless students in their scholastic endeavors and has helped to nurture within them a desire for academic excellence. Willingly giving of his time, energy, and abilities far

beyond what was required or expected, he has earned the respect and 28
gratitude of his colleagues, his community, and, most importantly, his 29
students for his genuine love of teaching, and he is truly deserving 30
of high praise; therefore be it 31

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 135th General 32
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend Mark Lowrie for 33
outstanding achievement and salute him as one of Ohio's finest 34
educators; and be it further 35

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 36
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Mark Lowrie. 37