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Senator Huffman, M.

Cosponsors: Senators Antani, Antonio, Blessing, Brenner, Chavez, Cirino, Craig, Cutrona, DeMora, Dolan, Gavarone, Hackett, Hicks-Hudson, Huffman, S., Ingram, Johnson, Kunze, Landis, Lang, Manning, McColley, O'Brien, Reineke, Reynolds, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Smith, Wilkin, Wilson

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Senator Vernon Sykes for outstanding service to the Ohio Senate.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 135th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to Senator Vernon Sykes for his loyal service to the Ohio Senate; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his distinguished tenure as a member of the Ohio Senate, Vernon Sykes has demonstrated dedication to performing his duties and fulfilling his responsibilities with efficiency and competence. Representing the 28th District, he has shared with the chamber a wealth of experience gained as a professor emeritus of political science and director of the Columbus Program in State Issues at Kent State University and a member of the Akron City Council and the Ohio House of Representatives, and he has served as a member of the Community Revitalization, Education, Finance, and Small Business and Economic Opportunity committees. With determination and resolve, he has brought his talents and experience to bear on the ever-changing needs and issues of the Ohio General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Vernon Sykes has given willingly of his time and energy and has displayed a genuine commitment to improving the quality of life in our society. His love for Ohio and his sincere desire to serve its people have shown him to be a concerned and responsible public servant, and we are proud to note that it is through the efforts of individuals such as he that our state and nation continue to grow and

prosper; and 22

WHEREAS, Election to public office is one of the highest honors 23
that the people in a democracy can bestow upon a fellow citizen. 24
Throughout his service as a member of the Ohio Senate, Vernon Sykes 25
has maintained a high degree of achievement and has earned the respect 26
and admiration of colleagues on both sides of the political aisle. 27
Whether engaged in floor debate or in committee deliberations, he has 28
brought a full measure of enthusiasm, intelligence, and public spirit 29
to his duties and has served his constituents and the Great State of 30
Ohio; therefore be it 31

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 135th General 32
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud Senator Vernon 33
Sykes on his service to the Ohio Senate and offer best wishes for 34
happiness and fulfillment in the years to come; and be it further 35

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 36
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Senator Vernon Sykes. 37