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Representatives Roemer, Daniels

**Cosponsors: Representatives Claggett, Click, Dovilla, Fowler Arthur, Hall, T., King,
Robb Blasdel, Odioso, Bird, John, Newman**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To encourage students in grades one through twelve to 1
read the U.S. Declaration of Independence in the 2
classroom during the 2025-2026 school year in 3
celebration of its 250th anniversary. 4

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

WHEREAS, The 250th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. 5
Declaration of Independence is on July 4, 2026; and 6

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump established Task Force 250 7
to provide a grand celebration worthy of the momentous occasion 8
of the 250th anniversary of American Independence and to honor 9
the history of our great Nation; and 10

WHEREAS, Students and schools should join in the meaningful 11
celebrations taking place nationally in recognition of the 250th 12
anniversary of the Declaration of Independence; and 13

WHEREAS, An understanding of the founding documents, 14
especially the Declaration of Independence, is an important 15
component of each student's education; now therefore be it 16

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 136th General 17

Assembly of the State of Ohio, encourage students in grades one 18
through twelve to join in the national celebration of the 250th 19
anniversary of the Declaration of Independence by reading it in 20
the classroom during the 2025-2026 school year; and be it 21
further 22

RESOLVED, That we encourage schools to provide formal 23
classroom time for students to read and discuss the Declaration 24
of Independence during the 2025-2026 school year; and be it 25
further 26

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 27
transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the 28
President of the United States, the Director of Education and 29
Workforce, and the news media of Ohio. 30