

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To support and encourage the work of the American Legion Buckeye Boys State and the American Legion Auxiliary Buckeye Girls State in providing a premier educational and leadership program to the youth of Ohio.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Ohio (the Senate concurring):

WHEREAS, The American Legion Buckeye Boys State was founded in 1936 and is one of the largest Boys State programs in the country; and

WHEREAS, The Buckeye Boys State provides a non-partisan educational and leadership program that exposes young men in Ohio to fundamental democratic principles in city, county, and state government to prepare them for leadership roles as patriotic American citizens; and

WHEREAS, Over 1,200 young men from nearly 600 high schools across Ohio attend the annual eight-day immersive experience in the operation of democratic government, the organization of political parties, and the relationship of one to the other in shaping Ohio government; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion Auxiliary Buckeye Girls State was founded in 1946 to educate young women of Ohio on the duties, privileges, rights, and responsibilities of good citizenship and the workings of city, county, and state government; and

WHEREAS, The Buckeye Girls State delegates attend a week-long experiential learning event with activities including government workshops, legislative sessions, campaigning, debating, and voting; and

WHEREAS, The Buckeye Girls State develops leadership skills, self-confidence, poise, and character; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 136th General Assembly of the State of Ohio, support and encourage the work of the American Legion Buckeye Boys State and the American Legion Auxiliary Buckeye Girls State in providing a premier educational and leadership program to the youth of Ohio; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the American Legion Buckeye Boys State, the American Legion Auxiliary Buckeye Girls State, and the news media of Ohio.

Speaker _____ *of the House of Representatives.*

President _____ *of the Senate.*

Adopted _____, 20____