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Representative Deeter

A RESOLUTION

In memory of John Saunders.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 136th
General Assembly of Ohio were deeply saddened to learn of the death of
John Saunders and extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and
friends; and

WHEREAS, John Saunders left an indelible impression on the people
whose lives he touched, and he will be remembered as a spirited
individual who contributed immeasurably to the world around him. An
employee of R & L Carriers of Norwalk, a member of the Central Ohio
Truck Pulling Circuit, and a fifteen-year member of the Tri-Community
Joint Fire Department, he was at the scene of a house fire on the
night of April 16, 2025, when he tragically passed away in the line of
duty; and

WHEREAS, Giving generously of his energy and abilities, John
Saunders displayed exceptional concern and insight and was tireless in
his work to better the world around him. A loving father to his
children, Kila and Kaden, and a devoted son, brother, and friend, he
always used his talents to the benefit of those around him, and
although the void his death has created can never be filled, the
legacy of care and commitment he established will surely live on. His
absence will be keenly felt; and

WHEREAS, At a time when many people are content to take a passive
role in life, firefighters often risk their own safety, and in fact
their lives, to ensure the well-being of their fellow citizens. The
devotion to duty that John Saunders showed in all of his endeavors
earned him the genuine respect and gratitude of his colleagues and of
the communities he so capably served. The world is a richer place for
his having been in it, and he will be sorely missed; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 28
the 136th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 29
express a profound sense of loss and sincere regret at the death of 30
John Saunders and, in so doing, pay tribute to the memory of a truly 31
unique individual; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 33
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of John 34
Saunders. 35