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Representative Upchurch

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Great Lakes Science Center on the
Centennial of the *SS William G. Mather*.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 136th
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the Great Lakes
Science Center on the One Hundredth Anniversary of the construction of
the *SS William G. Mather*, commemorated May 16, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Recognition of this prestigious milestone is a fitting
tribute to the Great Lakes Science Center, for it has attained a
remarkable record of service to its patrons by preserving and
celebrating the area's rich history, including that of the *SS William
G. Mather* as well as its namesake's legacy of innovation and impact on
Cleveland's manufacturing industry. Indeed, the science center has
nurtured the steamship into becoming a beloved part of the community,
and its many outstanding accomplishments are a justifiable source of
pride and an outstanding reflection not only on the organization but
also on the hard-working staff and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, The Great Lakes Science Center has stood as a testament
to the community's growth over the past century, and it has made
sincere investments in bringing to life the golden era of steamships
and Cleveland's historical maritime significance through the restored
Great Lakes freighter, the *SS William G. Mather*. We are certain that
as this worthy institution maintains its unfaltering dedication to
service, it will continue in the tradition of excellence that has
become its hallmark and has enriched the lives of its visitors; and

WHEREAS, This special anniversary for the *SS William G. Mather* is
an important milestone that represents dedication and commitment. We
applaud the stewards of the Great Lakes Science Center for preserving
unique pieces that represent the community's past, and salute them for

accepting the challenge of carrying this history into the future; 27
therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 29
the 136th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 30
commend the Great Lakes Science Center on the Centennial of the 31
construction of the *SS William G. Mather* and look to its future with 32
optimism; and be it further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 34
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Great Lakes 35
Science Center. 36