

## As Offered

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**H. R. No. 222**

**Representative Moore**

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### **A RESOLUTION**

Honoring the Barnesville State Theater on its One  
Hundredth Anniversary.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 136th  
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to the Barnesville  
State Theater on its Centennial; and

WHEREAS, The Barnesville State Theater has become one of the most  
esteemed and prized landmarks in the area, and congratulations are in  
order on its One Hundredth Anniversary. First opening in 1925 as a  
venue for live shows and movies, it closed in 1969 and later housed a  
carpet store and then a thrift store before falling into disrepair,  
and since being donated to the community by a local benefactor in  
2009, it is being slowly restored to its original glory by a dedicated  
group of volunteers; and

WHEREAS, The Barnesville State Theater once experienced tremendous  
prosperity by providing an outstanding service to local residents, and  
thanks to the efforts of area citizens who are endeavoring to  
rehabilitate the site, it is sure to become an important resource for  
the area one again. In a time when so many seem content to let iconic  
structures slip into obscurity and obsolescence, it is reassuring to  
note that examples of our nation's strong artistic heritage are being  
preserved and protected for the benefit of future generations; and

WHEREAS, The Barnesville State Theater has had a significant  
impact on the area, and all those involved in the restoration and  
maintenance of the building are to be applauded for their vision and  
enthusiasm in working to preserve not only a fine structure but a  
vital piece of the community's heritage. As they commemorate the  
theater's One Hundredth Anniversary, they can reflect with pride on  
its exciting past and look forward to a prosperous future; therefore

be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 28  
the 136th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 29  
recognize the Barnesville State Theater on the occasion of its One 30  
Hundredth Anniversary and offer best wishes for the years ahead; and 31  
be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 33  
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Barnesville State 34  
Theater. 35