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**H. R. No. 374**

**Representative King**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Nelson's Body Shop on its Centennial. 1

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 136th 2  
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to 3  
Nelson's Body Shop on the memorable occasion of its One Hundredth 4  
Anniversary; and 5

WHEREAS, Nelson's Body Shop is worthy of acknowledgement, for 6  
throughout a century of operation, it has attained a remarkable record 7  
of accomplishment. In all of its endeavors, the venture has 8  
continually demonstrated its exemplary commitment to the highest 9  
industry standards, quality workmanship, and competitive pricing, and 10  
this milestone is a justifiable source of pride and an outstanding 11  
reflection not only on this family-owned business itself but also on 12  
its astute management, on its diligent employees, and on the legacy of 13  
its founder, Verling V. Nelson; and 14

WHEREAS, Born in 1908, Verling Nelson was a remarkable individual 15  
who held a deep passion and interest in the field of auto body work, 16  
and in 1926, he launched his own garage, Nelson's Body Shop. In the 17  
years that followed, he gained a fine reputation as an entrepreneur, 18  
operating Wayne Sporting Goods Store and Wayne Motor Sales as well as 19  
supporting his wife, Esther, in launching Nelson's Restaurant, and he 20  
was always willing to invest in the future of his community. Clearly, 21  
he established a tradition of excellence that endures to this day and 22  
that remains the hallmark of his family's business; and 23

WHEREAS, The success of Nelson's Body Shop can be attributed to 24  
the vision and foresight of a host of innovative individuals, and all 25  
those who have been involved with its growth over the years are to be 26  
applauded on their tremendous efforts. Indeed, they have convincingly 27  
demonstrated how very much can be accomplished by a group of 28

conscientious people with clear objectives and firm resolve, and it is 29  
through the work of citizens such as these that Ohio remains a 30  
pleasant place in which to live; therefore be it 31

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 32  
the 136th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 33  
commend Nelson's Body Shop on its One Hundredth Anniversary and offer 34  
best wishes for the future; and be it further 35

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 36  
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to Nelson's Body Shop. 37