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Representative White, A.

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing National Crime Victims' Rights Week in 1
Ohio, April 19-25, 2026. 2

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 136th 3
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to acknowledge April 19-25, 2026, 4
as National Crime Victims' Rights Week in Ohio; and 5

WHEREAS, Every person deserves to feel safe in their home, school, 6
workplace, and community. Yet each year, millions of Americans from 7
all socioeconomic backgrounds fall victim to acts of violence, theft, 8
fraud, and other crimes. Indeed, such events often leave significant 9
long-lasting physical, psychological, and economic repercussions, not 10
only for victims and their families but also for society as a whole; 11
and 12

WHEREAS, In an effort to recognize and validate the impact of 13
crime as well as to endorse the establishment of meaningful 14
enforceable rights and resources and pay tribute to crime victims and 15
those who assist them, National Crime Victims' Rights Week was first 16
proclaimed by President Ronald Reagan in 1981. Over the years, this 17
cause has continued to make slow but steady progress, gaining 18
widespread support from leaders of all political affiliation; and 19

WHEREAS, National Crime Victims' Rights Week in Ohio provides a 20
unique opportunity for Ohioans to recommit to the work of preventing 21
crime, supporting victims in healing, and holding offenders 22
accountable. Clearly, we must continue to ensure that all those 23
impacted, both directly and indirectly, are treated with dignity and 24
respect, provided access to support and services, and have the ability 25
to protect and seek enforcement of their rights; therefore be it 26

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 27

the 136th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 28
recognize April 19-25, 2026, as National Crime Victims' Rights Week in 29
Ohio and urge all citizens to familiarize themselves with this 30
important issue; and be it further 31

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 32
duly authenticated copies of this Resolution to the news media of 33
Ohio. 34