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Senator Hicks-Hudson

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Honoring the longstanding partnership between the
Province of Québec and the State of Ohio.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING):

WHEREAS, The year 2025 marks the 50th anniversary of the
National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) and the 20th
anniversary of Québec's adhesion as an affiliate member of the
NCSL; and

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WHEREAS, In the past decade, Québec has strengthened its
interparliamentary relationships with the United States through
its involvement in the Conference of the Great Lakes and St.
Lawrence Governors and Premiers and the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence
Legislative Caucus; and

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WHEREAS, Québec maintains close ties with the State of
Ohio, notably through its involvement in these forums; and

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WHEREAS, Québec and the State of Ohio, as well as the
provinces and cities involved in the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence
Conference, the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Legislative Caucus, and
the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiatives attach
importance to issues relating to water, trade and the
environment; and

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WHEREAS, The Great Lakes and St. Lawrence states and

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provinces manage together 20% of the world's surface fresh water 21
and provide drinking water for over 40 million people, 22
emphasizing the importance of their relationship and their 23
strategic position in terms of freshwater management and 24
sustainability; and 25

WHEREAS, The Great Lakes and St. Lawrence states and 26
provinces together constitute an economic region equivalent to 27
the world's third largest economy; and 28

WHEREAS, Québec and Ohio both strive to support and improve 29
tourism in the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence region and to promote 30
sustainable tourism; and 31

WHEREAS, Over the past five years, trade between Québec and 32
Ohio has increased by nearly 20%; and 33

WHEREAS, Québec is Ohio's second largest investor among 34
Canadian provinces and ranks as the sixth largest trading 35
partner of Ohio; and 36

WHEREAS, In 2023, Québec was a critical supplier for Ohio's 37
aerospace and transport sector, enhancing the state's 38
technological innovation and global competitiveness; and 39

WHEREAS, Québec was the United States' principal partner in 40
primary aluminum in 2023; and 41

WHEREAS, Québec has significantly contributed to Ohio's 42
transportation and automotive sectors, ranking second among 43
international importers of Ohio-made trucks, tractors, diesel 44
engines, spark ignition and piston engines, and ranking third 45
for motor cars, trailers, and parts for motor vehicles; and 46

WHEREAS, Nearly 25 Québec-owned companies currently operate 47
in Ohio while more than 70 Ohio-based businesses maintain 48
operations in Québec; and 49

WHEREAS, Québec holds recognized expertise in quantum 50

computing, a field of emerging importance that aligns with 51
Ohio's own interests in developing advanced technology 52
industries; and 53

WHEREAS, Both Québec and Ohio maintain expertise and 54
leadership in the aerospace industry with partnerships among 55
many significant institutions and companies; and 56

WHEREAS, This remarkable partnership should be recognized 57
appropriately during this special time; now therefore be it 58

RESOLVED, That the members of this body honor the decades- 59
long partnership between the Province of Québec and the State of 60
Ohio and extend best wishes for many more years of mutual 61
prosperity and growth; and be it further 62

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 63
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the news media of Ohio 64
and to the National Assembly of Québec. 65