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Senator Antonio

Cosponsors: Senators Blackshear, Blessing, Brenner, Chavez, Cirino, Craig, Cutrona, DeMora, Gavarone, Hicks-Hudson, Huffman, Ingram, Johnson, Koehler, Landis, Lang, Liston, Manchester, Manning, McColley, O'Brien, Patton, Reineke, Reynolds, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Smith, Timken, Weinstein, Wilkin, Wilson

A RESOLUTION

In memory of Jack Cera.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 136th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Jack Cera on the sorrowful occasion of his death; and

WHEREAS, Jack Cera left an indelible impression on the people whose lives he touched, and he will be remembered as a spirited individual who contributed immeasurably to the world around him. A member of the Ohio House of Representatives from 1983 to 1996 and from 2011 to 2020, he served on numerous standing, select, and special committees and in leadership as the Minority Whip in 2016, and he also worked as the workforce development director for the Belmont County Department of Job and Family Services, a member of the Jefferson Belmont Regional Solid Waste Authority, and the senior vice president of Sunday Creek Horizons. In addition, he volunteered with such organizations as the Belmont County Port Authority Board and Planning Commission, the Bellaire Public Library and Park District boards, and the Bellaire and East Ohio girls softball associations, and he received numerous honors and awards for his myriad contributions. Indeed, he will be remembered for his generosity, talents, sense of humor, quick wit, and seemingly inexhaustible energy; and

WHEREAS, Jack Cera's regard for improving the quality of life in

our society was clearly evident in his personal sacrifices of time and 21
effort to his family, friends, and community. Giving generously of his 22
energy and abilities in all of his endeavors, he displayed exceptional 23
concern and insight, and his absence will be keenly felt; and 24

WHEREAS, A loving husband to his wife, Becky, a devoted father to 25
his two daughters, Jaclyn and Bethany, and a doting grandfather to his 26
three granddaughters, Scarlett, Lena, and Finley, Jack Cera always 27
used his talents to the benefit of others, and the warmth and 28
understanding he readily extended to those around him will stand as a 29
testament to his personal character and ethical center. Although the 30
void which his death has created can never be filled, the legacy of 31
care and commitment he established will surely live on; therefore be 32
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RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 136th General 34
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, pay tribute to the 35
memory of a truly honorable man, Jack Cera; and be it further 36

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 37
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Jack Cera. 38