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A RESOLUTION

Honoring Wendy Zhan for thirty years of commendable service to the Ohio Legislative Service Commission.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 136th General Assembly of Ohio are proud to pay tribute to Wendy Zhan on her retirement as 2 the director of the Ohio Legislative Service Commission; and WHEREAS, A native of China, Wendy Zhan began her academic journey 4 at Beijing University, where she earned both a Bachelor of Arts and a 5 Master of Arts in History. She later earned a Master of Public Administration from Ohio University in 1995, the same year she began 7 her distinguished career with the Ohio Legislative Service Commission as a graduate researcher. She was hired as a full-time budget analyst 9 later that year and went on to serve in several key roles, including 10 senior budget analyst, fiscal supervisor, division chief, and director 11 of budget and fiscal analysis, before being appointed the tenth 12 director of the Commission in 2019; and 13 WHEREAS, Over the course of her thirty-year tenure, Wendy Zhan has 14 demonstrated exceptional guidance, deep institutional knowledge, and 15 an unwavering commitment to public service. She has been a diligent 16 and proactive leader who excels in high-pressure, short-deadline 17 environments. Moreover, her expertise in school funding was impactful 18

in helping the legislature craft responses to various challenges over

her decades of service. Her understanding of Ohio's legislative and	20
budget processes has made her an invaluable resource to the Ohio	21
General Assembly; and	22
WHEREAS, Wendy Zhan is widely respected as an excellent problem	23
solver, a collaborative team player, and an inspiring mentor. As	24
director of LSC, she thoughtfully led the agency through the global	25
pandemic, and she has led numerous innovations to improve the quality	26
and efficiency of the Commission's work. In recognition of her	27
outstanding contributions, she received the Outstanding State	28
Government Alumnus Award from Ohio University in 2004; therefore be it	29
RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 136th General	30
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, salute Wendy Zhan for	31
her unparalleled contributions to the Ohio Legislative Service	32
Commission, Ohio's elected officials, and the public at-large and	33
extend best wishes for a deservedly happy, healthy retirement; and be	34
it further	35
RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly	36
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Wendy Zhan.	37