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A RESOLUTION

In memory of Captain Seth R. Koval.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 136th General Assembly
of Ohio extend our sincere condolences to the family and friends of
Captain Seth R. Koval on the sorrowful occasion of his death; and

WHEREAS, Although there are no words to ease the sorrow now felt,
surely there is solace in the remembrance of having known such an
outstanding individual as Seth Koval. Joining the Indiana Air National
Guard as a machinist with the 122nd Fighter Wing in 2006, he
transferred to the Ohio Air National Guard in 2017, and he was serving
as a KC-135 instructor pilot with the 166th Air Refueling Squadron,
121st Air Refueling Wing in support of Operation Epic Fury when he was
killed in the line of duty. His valiant efforts were truly admirable,
and his absence will be keenly felt; and

WHEREAS, A devoted husband to his wife, Heather, and a loving
father, Seth Koval always used his talents to the benefit of others,
and the laurels of his life stand as a tribute not only to him but
also to those he left behind. The great traditions of our country's
service men and women are an important chapter of American history,
and his family and friends can be proud of the sacrifices he made to
ensure freedom and justice for all people; and

WHEREAS, Although the void his death has created can never be

filled, Seth Koval will be remembered as a spirited individual who 21
contributed immeasurably to the world around him. It is certain that 22
the world is a richer place for his having been in it, and he will be 23
sorely missed; therefore be it 24

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 136th General 25
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, mourn the loss and 26
salute the memory of a truly unique individual, Captain Seth R. Koval; 27
and be it further 28

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 29
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Captain Seth R. 30
Koval. 31