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S. R. No. 303

Senator McColley

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

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Matt Oyster for outstanding service to the 1
State of Ohio. 2

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 136th General Assembly 3
of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to Matt Oyster for 4
three years of loyal service to the Ohio Senate; and 5

WHEREAS, Matt Oyster is a remarkable individual, for he has 6
combined civic concern and dedication with selfless initiative to 7
become a dynamic member of the Ohio Senate staff. Commencing his 8
tenure in March of 2023, he has ably served as chief legal counsel, 9
bringing a full measure of enthusiasm, intelligence, and public spirit 10
to his duties; and 11

WHEREAS, Over the years, Matt Oyster has given generously of his 12
time, energy, and abilities to assist the Ohio Senate and has 13
demonstrated a praiseworthy commitment to the success of state 14
government. He has provided a valuable service by helping to maintain 15
the efficiency and effectiveness of the legislative process, 16
including, but not limited to, an impressive and seemingly unending 17
knowledge of the Ohio Revised Code, and its citations, and an uncanny 18
ability to dissect the minutiae of any legal issue; and 19

WHEREAS, Matt Oyster's sanguine, assured, and amiable affectation 20
has brought joy to many at the Ohio Senate, whether in meetings or 21

over lunch breaks, and his infectious and booming laugh will be 22
forever remembered; 23

WHEREAS, Matt Oyster's contributions to the Ohio Senate have been 24
greatly appreciated by all those who have had the pleasure of working 25
with him. He has displayed exceptional devotion, responsibility, and 26
enthusiasm in his endeavors, including his inclination for rigorous, 27
well-reasoned legal debate—using his intellect as a sword and a shield 28
upon which his fellow legal staff could test their mettle; and 29

WHEREAS, we extend best wishes to Matt; his wife, Kate; and their 30
children, Emory and Blair, for the years to come; therefore be it 31

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 136th General 32
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend Matt Oyster on 33
his exemplary state service and salute him as one of Ohio's finest 34
citizens, and we thank you, Matt Oyster, for being more than a trusted 35
confidant and counsel—we thank you for being a friend. You shall be 36
missed; and be it further 37

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 38
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Matt Oyster. 39