

**As Adopted by the Senate**

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**S. R. No. 360**

**Senator Gavarone**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Marilyn's on receiving a 2026 Made In 1  
America Small Business Award. 2

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 136th General Assembly 3  
of Ohio are pleased to commend Marilyn's on being presented with a 4  
2026 Made In America Small Business Award by *FOX Business; and* 5

WHEREAS, This prestigious distinction is, indeed, a fitting 6  
tribute to Marilyn's, for it has been built on the highest standards 7  
of service and has distinguished itself as a worthy enterprise, 8  
earning the respect and esteem of the entire community. The shop is 9  
one of only three businesses nationwide being recognized during 10  
America's 250th anniversary by *FOX Business for the same grit and* 11  
*sacrifice that built the nation, and its noteworthy accomplishments* 12  
*clearly demonstrate the potential of every establishment to have a* 13  
*positive effect on the quality of life in our society. The venture is* 14  
*known throughout the Lake Erie area as a community hub that welcomes* 15  
*all people, and for its generous contributions, including raising* 16  
*funds for youth campers at Lakeside Chautauqua, it is certainly to be* 17  
*applauded; and* 18

WHEREAS, The success of Marilyn's is a justifiable source of pride 19  
and a fine reflection not only on the organization itself but also on 20  
the astute management of its owner, Marilyn Burns, on its hard-working 21  
employees, and on the community. Due to its outstanding effort and 22  
initiative, the venture has earned the gratitude and appreciation of 23  
many satisfied customers for its local souvenirs, necessary items for 24  
vacationers, toys, beach items, and especially its candy wall with new 25  
and vintage styles, and this remarkable enterprise is truly deserving 26  
of high praise; and 27

WHEREAS, Ohio's economic prosperity depends on businesses such as 28

Marilyn's, which provide goods and services to the citizens of our 29  
state and nation. We are proud to note that it is through the 30  
dedicated efforts of individuals such as those associated with the 31  
iconic establishment, who are willing to invest in their communities, 32  
that our country has continued to grow and prosper; therefore be it 33

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 136th General 34  
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, congratulate Marilyn's 35  
on its recent accolade and extend best wishes for the future; and be 36  
it further 37

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 38  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Marilyn's. 39