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**Representatives Dever, Cera
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A RESOLUTION

Recognizing September 26, 2015, as National Hunting and
Fishing Day in Ohio.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 1
131st General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to recognize National 2
Hunting and Fishing Day in Ohio, September 26, 2015; and 3

WHEREAS, More than one hundred years ago, hunters and 4
anglers were among the first to realize that the unregulated use 5
of wildlife was threatening the future of many species. With the 6
help of President Theodore Roosevelt, a fellow sportsman, they 7
worked to create laws restricting the commercial slaughter of 8
wildlife, instituted hunting and fishing licenses, encouraged the 9
sustainable use of fish and game, and lobbied for taxes on 10
sporting equipment to fund state conservation agencies, actions 11
that helped numerous North American species to rebound. In 12
addition, they have striven to protect and improve millions of 13
acres of vital habitat; and 14

WHEREAS, To call attention to the important role that 15
hunters and anglers had played in the conservation movement, bills 16
authorizing National Hunting and Fishing Day as the fourth 17
Saturday of each September passed through the United States 18
Congress in early 1972, and President Richard Nixon signed the 19
first proclamation of this observance on May 2 of that year. By 20
summer, state and local versions of the day had been declared 21
across the country, and numerous organizations conducted hunting 22
and fishing events to help Americans experience, understand, and 23

appreciate these outdoor sports; and 24

WHEREAS, Held this year on September 26, National Hunting 25
and Fishing Day continues to be effective in promoting 26
conservation and outdoor sports. America's hunters and anglers are 27
certainly to be applauded on their tremendous efforts; therefore 28
be it 29

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 30
Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 31
this Resolution, recognize National Hunting and Fishing Day in 32
Ohio, September 26, 2015, and urge Ohio's citizens to take part in 33
appropriate activities; and be it further 34

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 35
transmit duly authenticated copies of this Resolution to the news 36
media of Ohio. 37