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Representative Gonzales

A R E S O L U T I O N

Honoring James M. Dowdy II on receiving the 2015 OMEA
Distinguished Service Award.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate James M. Dowdy II on being presented with the 2015 Distinguished Service Award by the Ohio Music Education Association; and

WHEREAS, The Distinguished Service Award has been accorded to Jim Dowdy for his accomplishments as a music educator. Commencing his career teaching in the Canal Winchester Local School District, he served many years with the Worthington City School District, from which he retired in 2006, and he guided the bands at Worthingway Middle School during their performances at various state and national conferences. After retirement, he taught in the Olentangy Local School District and at Otterbein College before assuming his current post at Capital University, where he directs the Junior Winds, which have performed at several conferences and clinics. In addition, he has served the Ohio Music Education Association in such posts as District 15 president, treasurer, president, chair of the Advocacy Committee, a member of the Futures Advisory Committee, and adjudicator; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Jim Dowdy has made many significant contributions to improving the quality of life in our society. Through his decisive leadership and unfaltering dedication to service, he has certainly proven himself to be a conscientious and

hard-working Ohioan; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career in the field of education, Jim Dowdy has helped countless students develop their musical skills. Willingly giving of his time, energy, and abilities far beyond what was required or expected, he has earned the respect and gratitude of his colleagues, his community, and, most importantly, his students for his genuine love of teaching, and he is truly deserving of high praise; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend James M. Dowdy II for outstanding achievement and salute him as one of Ohio's finest citizens; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to James M. Dowdy II.