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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge the U.S.	Congress to lift the prohibition on	1
the export of	crude oil from the United States.	2

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING):

WHEREAS, Beginning with the Energy Policy and	3
Conservation Act of 1975, the U.S. Congress has prohibited	4
the export of crude oil from the United States; and	5
WHEREAS, The 1970s saw high oil prices as a result of	6
the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries'	7
withholding of production and a need to increase domestic	8
energy production and supply to provide for energy	
independence. Thus, the prohibition originally was intended	10
to preserve domestic price ceilings by preventing domestic	11
producers from receiving higher world oil prices and to	
preserve a depleting domestic reserve; and	

WHEREAS, Since that time, the use of directional 14

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drilling and hydraulic fracturing technologies in shale15formations in the United States has made this country more16crude oil independent. Additionally, the United States is17currently exporting over four million barrels of refined18products, such as gasoline, each day; and19

WHEREAS, The continued oil production in Ohio and across20the country is providing an opportunity for economic growth21and stability through the export of crude oil. Thus, the22prohibition on exports of crude oil is no longer necessary;23now therefore be it24

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 131st General 25 Assembly of the State of Ohio, urge the U.S. Congress to lift 26 the prohibition on the export of crude oil from the United 27 States; and be it further 28

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly29authenticated copies of this resolution to the President of30the United States, the U.S. Secretary of Commerce, the U.S.31Secretary of Energy, the President Pro Tempore and Minority32Leader of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker and Minority Leader of33the U.S. House of Representatives, and the members of the34Ohio Congressional delegation.35