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**S. R. No. 277**

**Senators Tavares, Bacon, Hughes**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Michael B. Coleman on his retirement as mayor of  
the City of Columbus.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General  
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to  
Michael B. Coleman on the occasion of his retirement as mayor of  
the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Michael Coleman is, indeed, deserving of high  
praise, for he has combined civic concern and commitment with  
selfless initiative to become a dynamic leader in the area. During  
his tenure as mayor of the City of Columbus, serving in that  
position since 2000, he has been active with numerous endeavors,  
including the JET Task Force, Early Start Columbus, Neighborhood  
Pride, Pay as We Grow, Home Again, the Affordable Housing Trust  
Corporation, the Get Green Columbus Campaign, the Bicentennial  
Bikeways Plan, the GreenSpot and Housing Works programs, the  
Columbus 2020 Board, and the 311 Call Center, and he has ably  
fulfilled his myriad responsibilities and has demonstrated  
exemplary dedication to his community; and

WHEREAS, Previously serving as a member of the Columbus City  
Council from 1992 to 1999, Michael Coleman has made many  
significant contributions to the city's growth and development,  
and as a result, Columbus has maintained an AAA credit rating and  
received several accolades and awards. Clearly, he has clearly  
shown the potential of each person to have a positive effect on  
the quality of life in our society, and he has established a  
record of public service that stands as a hallmark for others to  
emulate; and

WHEREAS, Election to public office is one of the highest  
honors the people in a democracy can bestow upon a fellow citizen,

and we are proud to note that it is through the unsurpassed 28  
efforts and deep commitment of conscientious people such as 29  
Michael Coleman that the State of Ohio continues to grow and 30  
prosper and remains responsive to the needs of its residents. He 31  
has certainly distinguished himself as a dedicated public servant, 32  
and we applaud him on his truly outstanding work; therefore be it 33

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 34  
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 35  
congratulate Michael B. Coleman on his retirement and wish him 36  
health, happiness, and prosperity in the years to come; and be it 37  
further 38

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 39  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Michael B. Coleman. 40