

**As Adopted by the Senate**

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**S. R. No. 620**

**Senator Gentile**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Ohio University's Cutler Hall on its Two  
Hundredth Anniversary.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General 1  
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to Ohio University's 2  
Cutler Hall as it celebrates its Bicentennial, October 21, 2016; 3  
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WHEREAS, Cutler Hall is worthy of acknowledgement, for since 5  
the completion of its austere cornerstone in 1816, it has held a 6  
distinctive and ubiquitous presence at OU, one of the oldest state 7  
universities in the nation. Originally named the College Edifice, 8  
the building has withstood the test of time, narrowly avoiding 9  
complete destruction when it was struck by lightning during 10  
construction and enduring remodeling, renaming, and renovating 11  
before being restored to its former stately appearance in the 12  
1940s; and 13

WHEREAS, Cutler Hall has fundamentally impacted scores of 14  
students, alumni, and faculty through its myriad usage, which 15  
includes serving as a dormitory, a classroom, a laboratory, a 16  
library, and a museum. For decades, a bell was rung by hand at the 17  
hall to sound the hours and call students to class, and the Class 18  
of 1914 adorned its cupola with a clock. To this very day, the 19  
chimes play "Alma Mater, Ohio" in the morning and afternoon 20  
helping to instill a sense of pride and community across campus; 21  
and 22

WHEREAS, The spirit of our nation is found in our exciting 23  
and colorful past, and memorializing the anniversary of such 24  
significant landmarks as Cutler Hall is vital to the preservation 25  
of America's heritage. All those involved with commemorating the 26  
history of this beacon are to be applauded, for their 27

determination has ensured the important details of our past 28  
inspire succeeding generations; therefore be it 29

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 30  
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, proudly 31  
recognize Cutler Hall on its Bicentennial and commend the 32  
dedication put forth toward continuing its meaningful tradition; 33  
and be it further 34

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 35  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Ohio University. 36