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Williams**

A C O N C U R R E N T R E S O L U T I O N

To urge the Congress of the United States to enact 1
legislation to prohibit the practice of separating 2
families at our nation's border. 3

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

WHEREAS, The current policy of the Trump administration is 4
to bring criminal charges against all adults who allegedly enter 5
the United States unlawfully, including asylum seekers, instead 6
of placing them directly into civil removal proceedings; and 7

WHEREAS, Because the children of those adults, including 8
babies and toddlers, cannot be incarcerated with their parents, 9
they are separated from their families and held in government 10
facilities while they await removal from the United States; and 11

WHEREAS, This systematic practice of separating families is 12
merciless, heartless, callous, and contrary to all standards of 13
decency; now therefore be it 14

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 132nd General 15
Assembly of the State of Ohio, urge the Congress of the United 16
States immediately to enact legislation to prohibit the practice 17
of separating families at our nation's border and to order the 18

President of the United States to use all possible means to 19
reunite the detained children with their parents; and be it 20
further 21

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly 22
authenticated copies of this resolution to the Speaker and Clerk 23
of the United States House of Representatives, the President Pro 24
Tempore and Secretary of the United States Senate, each member 25
of the Ohio congressional delegation, and the news media of 26
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