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**H. R. No. 366**

**Representatives Hicks-Hudson, Sheehy, Sobecki**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Metroparks Toledo on its 2020 National Gold Medal Award.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 1  
133rd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate 2  
Metroparks Toledo on receiving the 2020 National Gold Medal Award 3  
for Excellence in Category I from the American Academy for Park 4  
and Recreation Administration and the National Recreation and Park 5  
Association; and 6

WHEREAS, Metroparks Toledo has made many significant 7  
contributions to the area and has earned the well-deserved respect 8  
and appreciation of the community it has so capably served. As the 9  
recipient of a National Gold Medal Award for Excellence, the 10  
organization has demonstrated excellence in long-range planning, 11  
resource management, volunteerism, environmental stewardship, 12  
program and professional development, and agency recognition, and 13  
among its recent endeavors, it has created and implemented several 14  
major initiatives, including opening Cannaley Treehouse Village at 15  
Oak Openings Preserve; and 16

WHEREAS, Over the years, Metroparks Toledo's management and 17  
staff, including its executive director, Dave Zenk, have 18  
demonstrated commendable civic concern and insight through their 19  
efforts to make our world a better place in which to live. Their 20  
noteworthy achievements clearly show the potential of a small 21  
group of individuals to have a positive effect on the quality of 22  
life in our society, and we are certain that as this worthy agency 23  
maintains its unfaltering dedication to service, it will continue 24  
in the tradition of excellence that has become its hallmark; and 25

WHEREAS, Since its establishment, Metroparks Toledo has 26

improved the area by providing local residents with numerous 27  
venues for leisure activities in natural settings. All those 28  
involved with the group are deserving of high praise for their 29  
efforts to serve their community to the best of their ability; 30  
therefore be it 31

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 32  
Representatives of the 133rd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 33  
this Resolution, commend Metroparks Toledo for exemplary 34  
attainment and offer best wishes for ongoing success; and be it 35  
further 36

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 37  
transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to 38  
Metroparks Toledo. 39