

**As Adopted by the Senate**

**133rd General Assembly  
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**S. R. No. 177**

**Senator Kunze**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Dr. Rattan Lal on receiving the 2019 Japan Prize.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 133rd General 1  
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate Dr. Rattan Lal on 2  
being presented with the 2019 Japan Prize from the Japan Prize 3  
Foundation; and 4

WHEREAS, A professor of Soil Science at The Ohio State 5  
University College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental 6  
Sciences School of Environment and Natural Resources, the director 7  
of the Carbon Management and Sequestration Center, and the 8  
president of the International Union of Soil Sciences, Rattan Lal 9  
is deserving of this prestigious accolade, for his pioneering 10  
research on no-tillage agriculture and methods to sequester carbon 11  
dioxide in the soil. He has focused on such topics as soil 12  
degradation to the benefit of not only Ohio but also 13  
internationally, and he has become a dynamic leader in his field. 14  
Willingly giving of his time, abilities, and enthusiasm, he has 15  
dedicated countless hours and seemingly inexhaustible energy to 16  
his vocation, and he has brought insight and exceptional ability 17  
to his important work; and 18

WHEREAS, Rattan Lal's tremendous efforts have helped to 19  
guarantee a high level of success for all projects with which he 20  
has been involved, and he has earned the respect and esteem of 21  
many for his extensive publications. In addition, he was 22  
recognized on the Thomas Rueters list of the World's Most 23  
Influential Scientific Minds, and we are certain that in the years 24  
to come, he will continue to demonstrate the same unwavering 25  
commitment to excellence for which he has become known; and 26

WHEREAS, It is through the unsurpassed efforts and 27

unparalleled initiative of individuals such as Rattan Lal that our 28  
nation continues to grow and prosper and our state continues to 29  
make great progress. He has earned a well-deserved reputation as a 30  
generous and civic-minded person, and he has proven himself to be 31  
innovative, resolute, and utterly dependable in all of his 32  
endeavors; therefore be it 33

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 133rd 34  
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend Dr. 35  
Rattan Lal as the recipient of the 2019 Japan Prize and salute him 36  
as one of Ohio's finest citizens; and be it further 37

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 38  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Dr. Rattan Lal. 39