

As Introduced

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Senators Rulli, O'Brien

A RESOLUTION

In memory of Bishop George V. Murry.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 133rd General 1
Assembly of Ohio were deeply saddened to learn of the death of 2
Bishop George V. Murry and extend our heartfelt condolences to his 3
family and friends; and 4

WHEREAS, George Murry left an indelible impression on the 5
people whose lives he touched, and he will be remembered as a 6
spirited individual who contributed immeasurably to the world 7
around him. A humble man who possessed great faith, he was 8
ordained for the Maryland Province of the Society of Jesus in 9
1979, and he served in such roles as a member of the faculty and 10
dean of student activities at Gonzaga College High School, an 11
assistant professor of American studies at Georgetown University, 12
president of Archbishop Carroll High School, associate vice 13
president for academic affairs at the University of Detroit-Mercy, 14
titular bishop of Fuerteventura, auxiliary bishop of Chicago, 15
where he was ordained to the episcopacy in 1995, coadjutor bishop 16
of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands, and the fifth bishop of the 17
Diocese of Youngstown, where he was installed in 2007. He was 18
known for his generosity, talents, and seemingly inexhaustible 19
energy; and 20

WHEREAS, George Murry's regard for improving the quality of 21
life in our society was clearly evident in his personal sacrifices 22
of time and effort to family, friends, and community. He was named 23
to the Ohio Task Force on Community-Police Relations by Governor 24
John Kasich, and he was dedicated to spreading awareness and 25
resources to benefit the Catholic community through his service to 26
such organizations as the University of Detroit, Loyola Academy, 27

Mount St. Mary University, and University of San Francisco boards 28
and the Synod of Bishops. He gave generously of his energy and 29
abilities in all of his endeavors, and he displayed exceptional 30
concern and insight; and 31

WHEREAS, In his various roles as the fifth bishop of the 32
Diocese of Youngstown, as well as the chairman of the U.S. 33
Conference of Catholic Bishops Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism and 34
committees on Priorities and Plans, Religious Liberty, and 35
Catholic Education, the chairman of the National Catholic 36
Educational Association Board, and a member of the Catholic Relief 37
Services Board of Directors, George Murry always used his talents 38
to the benefit of those around him. Indeed, the warmth and 39
understanding he readily extended to those around him will stand 40
as a testament to his personal character, and the legacy of care 41
and commitment he established will surely live on. The world is a 42
richer place for his having been in it, and he will be truly 43
missed; therefore be it 44

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 133rd 45
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, express a 46
profound sense of loss and sincere regret at the death of 47
Bishop George V. Murry and, in so doing, pay tribute to the memory 48
of a truly unique individual; and be it further 49

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 50
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Bishop 51
George V. Murry. 52