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H. R. No. 241

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A RESOLUTION

То	condemn the poor treatment of election workers,	1
	including election officials, staff, workers, and	2
	volunteers, and to affirm the importance of	3
	protecting these individuals that allow us to	4
	participate in the democratic process.	5

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

WHEREAS, Ohio election workers faced intimidation, threats	6
of damage to polling places and other election infrastructure,	7
and threats of physical harm before and during recent elections;	8
and	9
WHEREAS, Ceaseless false claims of voting fraud threatened	10
the safety of election workers before and during recent	11
elections; and	12
WHEREAS, One in six local election officials nationwide	13
have been personally threatened because of their positions as	14
election officials; and	15
WHEREAS, One in five local election officials nationwide	16
have indicated that they are likely to leave their jobs before	17
the 2024 presidential election due to increased stress and	18

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threats in recent years; and	19	
WHEREAS, The number of local election officials nationwide	20	
who indicated that they were significantly worried about	21	
election interference from political leaders has tripled since	22	
the 2020 election; and	23	
WHEREAS, Three in five local election officials nationwide	24	
are very concerned that threats, intimidation, and harassment	25	
against election workers will make the recruitment and retention		
of poll workers for future elections more difficult; now	27	
therefore be it	28	
RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of	29	
Representatives of the 134th General Assembly of the State of	30	
Ohio, condemn the poor treatment of election workers and call		
for better protections for those workers; and be it further	32	
RESOLVED, That we affirm the vital role that all election	33	
workers have in ensuring that our elections are carried out	34	
fairly, efficiently, and democratically; and be it further	35	
RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives	36	
transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the		
news media of Ohio.	38	