

**As Adopted by the House**

**134th General Assembly  
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**H. R. No. 363**

**Representative Roemer**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Kirby's Mill  
on its One Hundredth Anniversary.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 134th 1  
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to Kirby's Mill on 2  
its Centennial, celebrated October 16, 2022; and 3

WHEREAS, The Richfield Heritage Preserve in Summit County has 4  
become known for its natural beauty as well as its historic 5  
structures, including the home formerly belonging to James Kirby, an 6  
inventor who amassed over 160 patents, and the water-powered millwheel 7  
that was built to generate electricity for his home and workshop. In 8  
1937, the property was sold to the Cleveland Girl Scout Council, where 9  
for seven decades, the mill, affectionately referred to as Kirby's 10  
Mill, was used as a craft studio, history museum, and gathering place 11  
by young women who attended Camp Julia Crowell until its closure in 12  
2011, and the commemoration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of 13  
Kirby's Mill is a memorable observance; and 14

WHEREAS, The past century of American history has been 15  
encapsulated by a tradition of strength, resolve, and ingenuity, and 16  
Kirby's Mill, which was listed on the National Register of Historic 17  
Places in 1978, is a symbol of how preserved spaces can impact the 18  
lives of many. Indeed, this milestone event ensures that the important 19  
details of our past are transmitted to future generations for their 20  
appreciation; and 21

WHEREAS, Kirby's Mill is an outstanding community treasure that 22  
has delighted its visitors. We are proud to celebrate this influential 23  
historical landmark and look with optimism as this fixture continues 24  
to captivate the public; therefore be it 25

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 26  
the 134th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 27  
salute Kirby's Mill on its One Hundredth Anniversary and extend best 28  
wishes for the years to come; and be it further 29

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 30  
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Friends of 31  
Richfield Heritage Preserve. 32