

As Introduced

**134th General Assembly
Regular Session
2021-2022**

S. R. No. 239

Senators Huffman, M., Hackett

A RESOLUTION

In memory of Congressman Clarence J. "Bud" Brown, Jr.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 134th General Assembly of Ohio extend our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Clarence J. "Bud" Brown, Jr., in their bereavement; and

WHEREAS, Bud Brown left an indelible impression as a public servant, and he worked tirelessly and with intent to benefit the State of Ohio as well as our nation as a whole. A U.S. Navy veteran of the Korean War, he was highly respected for his integrity and leadership as a reputable nine-term member of the U.S. House of Representatives, representing the Seventh Congressional District of Ohio from 1965 until 1983. He was an advocate for environmental responsibility as well as an influential force in shaping U.S. energy and economic policy, as evidenced by the success of such laws as the Department of Energy Organization Act of 1977 and the Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981. Indeed, he inspired trust in President Ronald Reagan, who nominated Bud Brown to the post of deputy secretary of the U.S. Department of Commerce, and he maintained his strong ties with Washington, D.C., through his continued contributions to the United States Capitol Historical Society and the National Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, Bud Brown demonstrated the true hallmarks of engaged and responsible citizenship through his sincere desire to serve not only his fellow Americans but also his fellow Ohioans. He was an avid supporter of Wilberforce University and Central State University, and his initiatives led to the establishment of the National Afro-American Museum and Cultural Center in Wilberforce. In addition, he was the co-founder of the Urbana Rotary Club and city park, a founding member of the Friends of Cedar Bog, and the board chairman for the Brown

Publishing Company, the family business for which he worked as a 28
journalist prior to his election to Congress. His generous efforts 29
earned him the esteem of many, and his regard for improving the 30
quality of life in society through mentorship, collaboration, and 31
resolve was indisputable; and 32

WHEREAS, Above all, Bud Brown flourished in the circle of his 33
family, and he was a devoted husband to his wife, Joyce, a loving 34
father to his children, Clancy, Cate, Roy, and the late Beth, and a 35
doting grandfather to Rose Beth, James, Clark, Camille, and Jack. He 36
always used his talents to the benefit of others, and the laurels of 37
his life stand as a tribute not only to him but also to those he left 38
behind. The world is a richer place for his having been in it, and the 39
impact he made during his lifetime will be his eternal legacy; 40
therefore be it 41

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 134th General 42
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, pay tribute to the life 43
of Clarence J. "Bud" Brown, Jr., and, in so doing, salute the memory 44
of this truly honorable man; and be it further 45

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 46
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Congressman 47
Clarence J. "Bud" Brown, Jr. 48