

As Adopted by the Senate

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S. R. No. 321

Senators Huffman, M., McColley

A RESOLUTION

In Memory of Officer Dominic Francis.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 134th General Assembly of Ohio were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Officer Dominic Francis and extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Dominic Francis left an indelible impression on the people whose lives he touched, and he will be remembered as a spirited individual who contributed immeasurably to the world around him. A law enforcement professional for nineteen years, he served as an officer for the Village of Bluffton Police Department for the past nine years, and his reputation for kindness and generosity touched many in ways simple and profound; and

WHEREAS, A loving husband, an adoring father, and a treasure to his family, Dominic Francis displayed exceptional concern and insight and was tireless in his work to better the world around him. In addition to his career in law enforcement, he served as a captain with the Southwestern Hancock Joint Fire District and a teacher, softball and football coach, and bus driver for the Cory-Rawson Local School District, and he always used his talents to the benefit of those around him. Although the void his death has created can never be filled, the legacy of care and commitment he established will surely live on, and his absence will be keenly felt; and

WHEREAS, At a time when many people are content to take a passive role in life, law enforcement officers often risk their own safety, and in fact their lives, to ensure the well-being of their fellow citizens. The devotion to duty that Dominic Francis showed in all of his endeavors earned him the genuine respect and gratitude of his colleagues and of the community he so capably served. The world is a

richer place for his having been in it, and he will be truly missed; 28
therefore be it 29

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 134th General 30
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, express a profound 31
sense of loss and sincere regret at the death of Officer Dominic 32
Francis and, in so doing, pay tribute to the memory of a truly unique 33
man; and be it further 34

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 35
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Officer Dominic 36
Francis. 37