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**H. R. No. 314**

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**A RESOLUTION**

In memory of Raymond A. Pryor.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 135th 1  
General Assembly of Ohio were deeply saddened to learn of the death of 2  
Raymond A. Pryor and extend our heartfelt condolences to his family 3  
and friends; and 4

WHEREAS, Ray Pryor left an indelible impression on the people 5  
whose lives he touched, and he will be remembered as a spirited 6  
individual who contributed immeasurably to the world around him. Among 7  
his endeavors, he was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, a veterans 8  
representative retired from the Ohio Department of Job and Family 9  
Services, and a member of Bethel Chapel and the Ohio House of 10  
Representatives during the 128th General Assembly. He continued his 11  
advocacy of serving veterans as a co-founder of South-Central Homeless 12

Veterans, Veterans in Transition, and the Ross County Veterans 13  
Council, and he was active with AMVETS, the Disabled American 14  
Veterans, the American Legion, the Vietnam Veterans of America, the 15  
Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the 40 and 8; and 16

WHEREAS, Ray Pryor's concern for improving the quality of life in 17  
our society was clearly evident in his personal sacrifices of time and 18  
effort to his family, friends, and community. Giving generously of his 19  
energy and abilities in all of his endeavors, he displayed exceptional 20  
concern and insight, and his absence will be keenly felt; and 21

WHEREAS, A loving husband to his wife, Jennifer, a devoted father 22  
to his two children, Leslie and Nicholas, and a doting grandfather to 23  
his six grandchildren, Gavin, Braiden, Madelyn, Clayton, Graeme, and 24  
Annika, Ray Pryor always used his talents to the benefit of others, 25  
and the laurels of his life stand as a tribute not only to him but 26  
also to those he left behind. Although the void his death has created 27  
can never be filled, the legacy of care and commitment he established 28  
will surely live on. It is certain that the world is a richer place 29  
for his having been in it, and he will be sorely missed; therefore be 30  
it 31

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 32  
the 135th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 33  
express a profound sense of loss and sincere regret at the death of 34  
Raymond A. Pryor and, in so doing, pay tribute to the memory of a 35  
truly unique man; and be it further 36

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 37  
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Raymond 38  
A. Pryor. 39