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**H. R. No. 370**

**Speaker Stephens, Representatives Russo, Seitz, Abdullahi, Abrams, Baker, Barhorst, Bird, Blackshear, Brennan, Brent, Brewer, Brown, Callender, Carruthers, Claggett, Click, Creech, Cross, Cutrona, Dean, Dell'Aquila, Demetriou, Denson, Dobos, Edwards, Ferguson, Forhan, Fowler Arthur, Ghanbari, Grim, Gross, Hall, Hillyer, Holmes, Hoops, Humphrey, Isaacsohn, Jarrells, John, Johnson, Jones, Kick, King, Klopfenstein, Lampton, LaRe, Lear, Lipps, Liston, Lorenz, Loychik, Manchester, Manning, Mathews, McClain, McNally, Merrin, Miller, A., Miller, J., Miller, K., Miller, M., Miranda, Mohamed, Oelslager, Patton, Pavliga, Peterson, Piccolantonio, Pizzulli, Plummer, Powell, Ray, Richardson, Robb Blasdel, Robinson, Roemer, Rogers, Santucci, Schmidt, Skindell, Somani, Stein, Stewart, Stoltzfus, Swearingen, Sweeney, Thomas, C., Thomas, J., Troy, Upchurch, Weinstein, White, Wiggam, Williams, Willis, Young, T.**

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**A RESOLUTION**

In memory of Stanley J. Aronoff.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 135th General Assembly of Ohio pay tribute to the memory of Stanley J. Aronoff, who served as a distinguished member of the Ohio House of Representatives and the Ohio Senate; and

WHEREAS, Stan Aronoff will be remembered fondly by all those who knew and loved him, and his absence will leave an irreparable void in our society. Respected for his tenure with the Ohio General Assembly, he was an advocate for the growth and progress of the State of Ohio and its people, and during his time as a legislator, he was an ardent champion for Republican interests as well as the arts. Indeed, he has been credited with establishing the Ohio Arts Council and for supporting the restoration of the Ohio Statehouse, and he has been

celebrated for his noteworthy commitment by the naming of the Aronoff 13  
Center for the Arts in Cincinnati, the Aronoff Center for Design and 14  
Art at the University of Cincinnati, and the Stanley J. Aronoff 15  
Laboratory of Biological Sciences at The Ohio State University in his 16  
honor; and 17

WHEREAS, A graduate of Harvard Law School, Stan Aronoff was 18  
elected to the Ohio House of Representatives in 1960, where he served 19  
three terms and garnered enduring respect from his peers as well as 20  
his constituents. In 1967, he was elected to the Ohio Senate, where he 21  
spent many of his additional thirty years as a legislator in the 22  
positions of president pro tempore and president. His passion for 23  
community service was always evident in his own approach to public 24  
life, and he strove to be "remembered for more than the bricks and 25  
mortar [but] as a person who cares about people." He furthered his 26  
contributions to Greater Cincinnati as a lawyer, lobbyist, and 27  
consultant, working with Aronoff, Rosen, and Hunt, LPA, Aronoff & 28  
Associates, and State Street Consultants, and he dedicated his time to 29  
such organizations as the Cincinnati Association for the Arts, the 30  
Cincinnati Contemporary Arts Center, the Cincinnati Playhouse in the 31  
Park, and the Classical Music Hall of Fame. He was admired by his 32  
fellow citizens, friends, and family alike for his positive philosophy 33  
of life, and he has left a stalwart legacy to our state that will 34  
surely live on; and 35

WHEREAS, Without question, Stan Aronoff made the world much 36  
fuller, and he was especially devoted to the individuals who had a 37  
treasured relationship with him, including his wife, Janet, his 38  
children, Tracy, the late Jay, and the late Leslie, his grandchildren 39  
and great-grandchildren, and his siblings and extended relatives. All 40  
those who cherished him can find strength in and solace in the happy 41  
moments shared with this great man. Most assuredly, the State of Ohio 42  
has benefited exponentially from his life's work, and he will be 43  
remembered for his visionary example of citizenship; therefore be it 44

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 45  
the 135th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, offer 46  
our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Stanley J. 47  
Aronoff and express a profound sense of loss and sincere regret on the 48  
sorrowful occasion of his death; and be it further 49

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 50  
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Stanley 51  
J. Aronoff. 52