

As Introduced

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S. R. No. 288

Senator Romanchuk

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Kenny Libben on receiving the Hunter-Burley Award.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 135th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate Kenny Libben on being presented with the Hunter-Burley Award by the Small Museum Association, February 20, 2024; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious distinction is a fitting tribute to Kenny Libben for his outstanding contributions to the advancement of public access and professional growth for his institution. The curator of the Cleo Redd Fisher Museum since 2010, he has been instrumental in increasing artifact and monetary donations, developing new exhibits focused on local stories, adding social media and marketing campaigns, more than tripling memberships, and significantly increasing annual attendance rates, all of which helped save the museum from closing, and he has received several honors and awards; and

WHEREAS, Kenny Libben is truly a remarkable individual, for he has combined civic concern and commitment with selfless initiative to become a dynamic force in the State of Ohio. Through his decisive leadership, he has distinguished himself as a conscientious and hard-working Ohioan, and we are certain that he will continue to demonstrate the same unwavering dedication to service and achievement for which he has become known; and

WHEREAS, Willingly giving of his time, energy, and abilities far beyond what was required or expected, Kenny Libben has striven to better the world around him. Through his tremendous endeavors, he has earned the respect and esteem of all who know him, and he is, indeed, deserving of high praise. We are proud to note that it is through the unceasing efforts of people such as he that Ohio has gained a

reputation as a state whose residents are responsive to the needs of 27
their communities; therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 135th General 29
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend Kenny Libben 30
for exemplary achievement and salute him as one of Ohio's finest 31
citizens; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 33
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Kenny Libben. 34