REPRESENTATIVE BALDERSON - SPEAKER BUDISH - REPRESENTATIVES BATCHELDER - ADAMS, J. - ADAMS, R. - AMSTUTZ - BACON - BAKER - BECK - BELCHER - BLAIR - BLESSING - BOLON - BOOK - BOOSE - BOYD - BROWN - BUBP - BURKE - CARNEY - CELESTE - CHANDLER - COLEY - COMBS - DANIELS - DEBOSE - DEGEETER - DERICKSON - DODD - DOLAN - DOMENICK - DRIEHAUS - DYER - EVANS - FENDE - FOLEY - GARDNER - GARLAND - GARRISON - GERBERRY - GOODWIN - GOYAL - GROSSMAN - HACKETT - HAGAN - HALL - HARRIS - HARWOOD - HEARD - HITE - HOLLINGTON - HOTTINGER - HUFFMAN - JORDAN - KOZIURA - LEHNER - LETSON - LUCKIE - LUNDY - MAAG - MALLORY - MANDEL - MARTIN - MCCLAIN - MCGREGOR - MECKLENBORG - MORAN - MORGAN - MURRAY - NEWCOMB - OELSLAGER - OKEY - OTTERMAN - PATTEN - PHILLIPS - PILLICH - PRYOR - RUHL - SAYRE - SCHNEIDER - SEARS - SKINDELL - SLESNICK - SNITCHLER - STAUTBERG - STEBELTON - STEWART - SYKES - SZOLLOSI - UECKER - UJVAGI - WACHTMANN - WAGNER - WALTER - WEDDINGTON - WILLIAMS, B. - WILLIAMS, S. - WINBURN - YATES - YUKO - ZEHRINGER

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Ohio:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio were deeply saddened to learn of the death of James R. Ross and extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, James Ross 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 U.S. Army veteran of World War II, he was the former owner and operator of a hardware store, an insurance agent, a 32nd Degree Mason, a commissioner for Coshocton County, and a member of the Ohio House of Representatives, and he served in various capacities with such organizations as the Ohio State Grange, the State District Board of Selective Services, the Dresden American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2040, the Elks Lodge of Coshocton, and Adams Mills Presbyterian and Grace United Methodist churches; and

WHEREAS, James Ross' regard for improving the quality of life in our society was clearly evident in his personal sacrifices of time and effort to his family, friends, and community. Giving generously of his energy and abilities in all of his endeavors, he displayed exceptional concern and insight, and his absence will be keenly felt; and

WHEREAS, A loving husband to his wife, the late Mary, a devoted father to his two children, Cindy and Robert, and the proud grandfather of five grandchildren and one great-grandchild, James Ross always used his talents to the benefit of others, and the laurels of his life stand as a tribute not only to him but also to those he left behind. Although the void his death has created can never be filled, the legacy of care and commitment he established will surely live on. The world is a richer place for his having been in it, and he will be sorely missed; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, express a profound sense of loss and sincere regret at the death of James R. Ross and, in so doing, pay tribute to the memory of a truly unique individual; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of James R. Ross.