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**H. R. No. 479**

**Speaker Rosenberger, Representatives Strahorn, Amstutz, Anielski, Antani, Antonio, Arndt, Ashford, Baker, Barnes, Becker, Bishoff, Blessing, Bocchieri, Boggs, Boose, Boyce, Boyd, Brenner, Brinkman, Buchy, Burkley, Butler, Celebrezze, Cera, Clyde, Conditt, Craig, Cupp, Curtin, Dean, Derickson, Dever, DeVitis, Dovilla, Driehaus, Duffey, Fedor, Ginter, Gonzales, Green, Grossman, Hagan, Hall, Hambley, Hayes, Henne, Hill, Hood, Howse, Huffman, Johnson, G., Johnson, T., Koehler, Kuhns, Kunze, Landis, LaTourette, Leland, Lepore-Hagan, Maag, Manning, McClain, McColley, O'Brien, M., O'Brien, S., Patmon, Patterson, Pelanda, Perales, Phillips, Ramos, Reece, Reineke, Retherford, Rezabek, Roegner, Rogers, Romanchuk, Ruhl, Ryan, Schaffer, Scherer, Schuring, Sheehy, Slaby, Slesnick, Smith, K., Smith, R., Sprague, Sweeney, Sykes, Terhar, Thompson, Vitale, Young, Zeltwanger**

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**A RESOLUTION**

In memory of William J. Hartnett.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio extend our sympathies to the family and friends of William J. Hartnett in their bereavement; and

WHEREAS, Bill Hartnett's zealous love of life and his selfless concern for the welfare of others distinguished him as an outstanding human being and as a leading citizen. A veteran of the U.S. Navy and an educator, he served as a teacher and coach in Wooster, the principal at Union Elementary and Ashland Junior High schools, the superintendent of the Ashland Joint Vocational and Madison Local school districts, and an adjunct professor at Ashland University before becoming the head of the Richland Area Chamber of Commerce, and he was a member of the Ohio House of

Representatives from 1998 to 2006 and then the state director of 13  
veterans affairs for Governor Ted Strickland. He was a dedicated 14  
and devoted public servant whose exemplary career serves as an 15  
inspiration for others; and 16

WHEREAS, A man of exceptional concern and commitment, Bill 17  
Hartnett will long be remembered for his kindness and his 18  
commitment to excellence. His untiring efforts earned him the 19  
respect and esteem of many, and his absence will be keenly felt; 20  
and 21

WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Bill Hartnett always used 22  
his talents to the benefit of others, and the laurels of his life 23  
stand as a tribute not only to him but also to those he left 24  
behind. The world is a richer place for his having been in it, and 25  
he will be sorely missed; therefore be it 26

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 27  
Representatives of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 28  
this Resolution, express a profound sense of loss and sincere 29  
regret at the death of William J. Hartnett and, in so doing, pay 30  
tribute to the memory of a truly unique individual; and be it 31  
further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 33  
transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the 34  
family of William J. Hartnett. 35