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**S. B. No. 242**

**Senator Schaffer**

**Cosponsors: Senators Eklund, Yuko, Johnson**

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**A BILL**

To enact section 5.266 of the Revised Code to 1  
designate August 21 as "Robert G. Heft Day." 2

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 5.266 of the Revised Code be 3  
enacted to read as follows: 4

**Sec. 5.266.** The twenty-first day of August is designated 5  
"Robert G. Heft Day," in honor of Robert G. Heft, a Lancaster, 6  
Ohio, native who, at seventeen years of age, designed what is 7  
now the current flag of the United States of America as a high 8  
school project. With Executive Order No. 10834, signed on August 9  
21, 1959, President Eisenhower selected Mr. Heft's flag design 10  
out of one thousand five hundred designs that had been submitted 11  
for consideration. Mr. Heft's teacher, who had given him a "B-" 12  
for the project, changed his grade to an "A" upon the flag's 13  
acceptance by congress. 14