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Senators Schiavoni, Tavares

**Cosponsors: Senators Brown, Cafaro, Gentile, Sawyer, Skindell, Thomas,
Williams, Yuko**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the Voting 1
Rights Act of 1965. 2

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING):**

WHEREAS, Congress enacted the Voting Rights Act of 1965 3
to prohibit racial discrimination in elections; and 4

WHEREAS, President Lyndon Johnson signed the Act into 5
law on August 6, 1965; and 6

WHEREAS, The Act has resulted in significantly increased 7
rates of registration and voting among racial minorities in 8
the United States; now therefore be it 9

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 131st General 10
Assembly of the State of Ohio, celebrate the fiftieth 11
anniversary of the Voting Rights Act of 1965; and be it 12
further 13

RESOLVED, That we recognize the need for Ohio to 14
continue to fight for free and equal access to voting and to 15
resist further efforts to roll back provisions of the Act; 16
and be it further 17

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly	18
authenticated copy of this resolution to the news media of	19
Ohio.	20