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*Honoring Ronald E. Rosser
as a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient.*

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate Ronald E. Rosser on receiving a Congressional Medal of Honor; and

WHEREAS, Established by Congress during the Civil War as the first permanent military decoration, the Congressional Medal of Honor is today the nation's highest military honor granted to members of the armed forces who have demonstrated gallantry in fulfillment of their duties. This distinction exemplifies the spirit of those who fought valiantly to ensure that freedom-loving countries remained proud and respected nations, and in recognizing Ronald Rosser as the recipient of this accolade, we salute his outstanding record of patriotism. The Medal of Honor completes his impressive catalogue of military decorations, including the Purple Heart; and

WHEREAS, As a corporal in the Heavy Mortar Company, 38th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division of the U.S. Army during the Korean War, Ronald Rosser was serving as a forward observer around Ponggilli, Korea on January 12, 1952. After his unit came under fire, he risked his own safety to save his unit, and that he set aside all personal considerations is duly acknowledged. We take this opportunity to reflect on the legacy of sacrifice that he established; and

WHEREAS, America has remained strong through the courageous efforts of individuals such as Ronald Rosser who demonstrated a commendable sense of duty, dedication to the standards of democracy, and love of country through their exemplary service in our armed forces. The heroic traditions of our country's service men and women are an important chapter of American history, and he can be truly proud of the role he played in continuing the United States' heritage of strength, courage, and leadership. The bestowal of the Congressional Medal of Honor, and Ronald Rosser's subsequent donation of the medal to the State of Ohio, will forever stand as a reminder of our indebtedness to military personnel; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud Ronald E. Rosser on his numerous achievements and extend best wishes for the future; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to Ronald E. Rosser.

I, Vincent L. Keeran, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution No. 114, adopted by the Ohio Senate, October 22, 2009.

*Vincent L. Keeran
Clerk of the Senate*

*Senator Bill Harris
President of the Senate*

Senator Jimmy Stewart

Senatorial District No. 20