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Lang, Maharath, Manning, McColley, O'Brien, Peterson, Reineke, Roegner, Rulli,
Schaffer, Schuring, Sykes, Thomas, Williams, Wilson, Yuko**

A RESOLUTION

In memory of William G. Batchelder III.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 134th General Assembly 1
of Ohio extend our deepest regrets on the passing of William G. 2
Batchelder III and pay tribute to his memory; and 3

WHEREAS, Bill Batchelder left an indelible impression on the 4
people whose lives he touched, and his absence will leave an 5
irreparable void in our society. Widely respected throughout the State 6
of Ohio, he was a veteran of the U.S. Army, an attorney in private 7
practice, a judge for the Medina County Court of Common Pleas and the 8
Ninth District Court of Appeals, and a member of the Ohio House of 9
Representatives from 1969 through 1998 and from 2007 through 2014. 10
Indeed, his guidance as a minority leader of the House Republican 11
Caucus, a member and chair of several impactful committees, and 12
Speaker of the House will be long remembered and revered; and 13

WHEREAS, Bill Batchelder garnered enduring respect and genuine 14
admiration from legislators and staff regardless of political 15
affiliation, due in large part to his affability and his caring 16
nature. His passion for community service was always evident in his 17
approach to his public life, and he was instrumental to the 18
establishment of the Medina County Career Center, the Ohio National 19
Guard Scholarship, and the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review. In 20
addition, he was active with such organizations as the Ashland 21
University Ashbrook Center and Western Reserve Historical Society 22

boards, The Buckeye Institute, and Grace Baptist Church, and his many 23
contributions will stand as a testament to his personal character; and 24

WHEREAS, Without question, Bill Batchelder made the world much 25
fuller for those around him, and he was endlessly devoted to his loved 26
ones, including his wife, Alice, his children William and Elisabeth, 27
and his grandchildren, Eilidh, Sophie, William, James, Eleanor, 28
Matthew, Bethany, and Mary Ruth. It is our hope that all those who 29
knew him best can find strength in the love of family and warmth in 30
the embrace of friends; therefore be it 31

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 134th General 32
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, extend our deepest 33
condolences over the loss of William G. Batchelder III; and be it 34
further 35

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 36
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of William G. 37
Batchelder III. 38