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**Senators LaRose, Sawyer, Oelslager**

**Cosponsors: Senators Obhof, Balderson, Beagle, Coley, Eklund, Gardner,  
Hughes, Jones, Lehner, Patton, Peterson, Skindell, Tavares, Thomas,  
Williams, Yuko**

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**A RESOLUTION**

In memory of the Honorable David D. Dowd, Jr.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General  
Assembly of Ohio offer our deepest sympathy and heartfelt  
condolences to the family and many friends of the Honorable David  
D. Dowd, Jr., on the sorrowful occasion of his death; and

WHEREAS, Although there are no words to ease the sadness now  
felt, surely there is solace in having been touched by such an  
outstanding person as David Dowd. The love, compassion, and  
understanding that he so readily extended to others, including his  
wife, Joyce, and his four children, will long remain in the hearts  
and minds of all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, David Dowd left an indelible impression on the  
people whose lives he touched, and he will long be remembered as a  
spirited individual who contributed immeasurably to the world  
around him. A judge retired from the U.S. District Court of  
Northern Ohio, he brought to the bench a wealth of experience  
gained as a veteran of the U.S. Army, a member of the Massillon  
City Council, an assistant prosecuting attorney and prosecuting  
attorney for Stark County, a justice with the Ohio Supreme Court,  
a judge with the Ohio Fifth District Court of Appeals, and a  
lawyer in private practice, and he demonstrated an unwavering  
commitment to his profession--a legacy that will surely live on;  
and

WHEREAS, David Dowd's concern for improving the quality of  
life in our society was clearly evident in the number of honors

and awards bestowed upon him. Giving generously of his time, 25  
energy, and abilities far beyond what was required or expected, he 26  
displayed exceptional concern and insight and was tireless in his 27  
efforts to better the world around him; therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 29  
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, pay tribute 30  
to the memory of a truly exemplary man, the Honorable David D. 31  
Dowd, Jr.; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 33  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of the 34  
Honorable David D. Dowd, Jr. 35