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To amend section 4503.571 of the Revised Code to 1
create a "Purple Heart" motorcycle license plate. 2

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

Section 1. That section 4503.571 of the Revised Code be 3
amended to read as follows: 4

Sec. 4503.571. Any person who has been awarded the purple 5
heart may apply to the registrar of motor vehicles for the 6
registration of any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, 7
recreational vehicle, motorcycle, or other vehicle of a class 8
approved by the registrar that the person owns or leases. The 9
application shall be accompanied by such documentary evidence in 10
support of the award as the registrar may require. The application 11
may be combined with a request for a special reserved license 12
plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. 13

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Upon receipt of an application for registration of a motor 15
vehicle under this section and any required taxes, and upon 16
presentation of the required supporting evidence of the award of 17

the purple heart, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the 18
appropriate motor vehicle registration and a set of license plates 19
and a validation sticker, or a validation sticker alone when 20
required by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code. 21

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed 22
on the license plates, the license plates shall be inscribed with 23
the words "PURPLE HEART." The license plates shall bear county 24
identification stickers that identify the county of registration 25
by name or number. 26

The license plates and validation stickers shall be issued 27
without the payment of any registration fee and service fee 28
required by sections 4503.04, 4503.10, and 4503.102 of the Revised 29
Code, and without the payment of any local motor vehicle license 30
tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code. The applicant 31
shall comply with all other applicable laws relating to the 32
registration of motor vehicles. If the application is combined 33
with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 34
4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, the license plates and 35
validation sticker shall be issued upon payment of seventy-five 36
per cent of the additional fee prescribed under section 4503.40 or 37
4503.42 of the Revised Code. 38

No person who is not a recipient of the purple heart shall 39
willfully and falsely represent that the person is a recipient of 40
a purple heart for the purpose of obtaining license plates under 41
this section. No person shall own a motor vehicle bearing license 42
plates under this section unless the person is eligible to be 43
issued those license plates. 44

Section 2. That existing section 4503.571 of the Revised Code 45
is hereby repealed. 46