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Honoring INFOhio on its Twentieth Anniversary.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to INFOhio on its Twentieth Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Started as a statewide collaborative project in 1989, INFOhio is an electronic network that links Ohio K-12 students, teachers, and library and media specialists to school, university, public, and special libraries and government and education databases, and it was established with funds allocated by the Ohio legislature in 1994 to provide equitable educational resources for all school districts in the state. In addition, its electronic resources support both local curricula and Ohio Academic Content Standards; and

WHEREAS, Available all day, every day from any Internet-connected computer, INFOhio offers a catalog of more than 1.2 million holdings, and these shared resources cost taxpayers about fifty cents per student as compared to fifty dollars or more per student it would cost each school district to maintain its own, much smaller collection. Starting with two buildings in 1994, INFOhio now serves more than 2,400 schools in 480 districts with more than 1.1 million students, and it circulated more than 18 million items during the 2008-2009 school year; and

WHEREAS, Through a variety of programs, INFOhio assists educators in understanding information literacy and in using technology to help students develop the skills they will need to excel in the world of tomorrow. It also maintains and develops collaborative partnerships with other agencies to lower costs, enhance content, and prepare for the future; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend INFOhio on its Twentieth Anniversary and extend best wishes for ongoing success; and be it further

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

by the Ohio Senate, February 18, 2010.		
	Vincent L. Keeran	
	Clerk of the Senate	
	Senator Bill Harris	
	President of the Senate	
	Senator Gary Cates	
	Senatorial District No. 4	

I, Vincent L. Keeran, hereby certify that the above is a