## **Senator Harris**

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## RESOLUTION

In memory of the Honorable Robert E. Netzley.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio were deeply saddened to learn of the death of the Honorable Robert E. Netzley and extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Robert Netzley left an indelible impression on the people whose lives he touched, and he will be remembered as a spirited individual who contributed immeasurably to the world around him. A decorated U.S. armed forces veteran of World War II, he operated the family oil and gas distributorship until 1986, and he served as chairman of the Miami County Republican Party for forty-two years and as a member of the Ohio House of Representatives from 1961 to 2001, the longest serving representative in state history; and

WHEREAS, Robert Netzley's regard for improving the quality of life in our society was clearly evident in his personal sacrifices of time and effort to his family, friends, and community. Giving generously of his energy and abilities in all of his endeavors, he displayed exceptional concern and insight, and his absence will be keenly felt; and

WHEREAS, A loving father to his three children, Kathy,

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Carol, and Robert, and the proud grandfather of eleven grandchildren, Robert Netzley always used his talents to the benefit of others, and the laurels of his life stand as a tribute not only to him but also to those he left behind. Although the void his death has created can never be filled, the legacy of care and commitment he established will surely live on. The world is a richer place for his having been in it, and he will be sorely missed; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, express a profound sense of loss and sincere regret at the death of the Honorable Robert E. Netzley and, in so doing, pay tribute to the memory of a truly unique individual; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of the Honorable Robert E. Netzley.