

## As Introduced

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**H. C. R. No. 28**

**Representatives Beck, Pillich**

**Cosponsors: Representatives Slaby, Uecker, O'Brien, Blessing, Derickson,  
Adams, J., Grossman, McGregor, Reece, Goodwin, Bulp, Hill, Ashford,  
Combs, Antonio, Yuko, Martin, Gonzales, Ruhl, Gardner, Duffey, Szollosi,  
Roegner, Sears, Gerberry, Rosenberger, Butler**

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### **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To honor "Taps" on its sesquicentennial and urge all 1  
Ohioans to take part in appropriate celebratory 2  
events. 3

#### **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE SENATE CONCURRING):**

WHEREAS, The members of the 129th General Assembly of the 4  
State of Ohio are pleased to commend "Taps" on the auspicious 5  
occasion of its one hundred fiftieth anniversary; and 6

WHEREAS, Recognition of this prestigious milestone is a 7  
fitting tribute to "Taps." General Daniel Butterfield of the Union 8  
Army wanted a less formal bugle call to replace the last call of 9  
the day to signify "extinguish lights," and in 1862, he composed 10  
"Taps" at Berkeley Plantation in Harrison's Landing, Virginia. The 11  
new call was soon adopted throughout the military and was 12  
officially recognized by the U.S. Army in 1874; and 13

WHEREAS, Today, "Taps" is easily recognized throughout 14  
America for its moving and emotive melody. Unique to the U.S. 15  
armed forces, the call is used at American military bases around 16

the world to signal the end of the day, and since 1891, it has 17  
also been played as a standard at military funerals as a final 18  
tribute to our fallen veterans; and 19

WHEREAS, In 2000, the U.S. Congress authorized full military 20  
honors at the funerals of all honorably discharged veterans, 21  
including the playing of "Taps" on either a ceremonial or digital 22  
bugle. The Taps 150 Organization is petitioning Congress to have 23  
"Taps" recognized as America's national song of remembrance, and 24  
it is also working to refurbish the Taps Memorial Monument and to 25  
schedule national events to recognize the one hundred fiftieth 26  
anniversary of "Taps," including at Berkeley Plantation; now 27  
therefore be it 28

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 129th General Assembly 29  
of the State of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, honor "Taps" on 30  
its sesquicentennial and urge all Ohioans to take part in 31  
appropriate celebratory events; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 33  
transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the Taps 34  
150 Organization and to the news media of Ohio. 35