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Cosponsors: Representatives Johnson, Duffey, Grossman, Pillich,
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Stebelton, Hill, Reece, Landis, Thompson, Beck, Antonio, Buchy, Gonzales,
Gardner, McGregor, Yuko, Okey

RESOLUTION

To honor the 511 African-American Ohioans who 1
enlisted in the 54th and 55th Regiments of the 2
Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry during the Civil 3
War. 4

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

WHEREAS, African-American men were not permitted to enlist in 5
Ohio's military units until June 1863; and 6

WHEREAS, Between April and June 1863, the following 7
African-American men from Ohio enlisted in the 54th Regiment of 8
the Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry: John W. Allen, Logan County, 9
Ohio; William Anderson, Xenia, Ohio; Elias Artis, Shelby County, 10
Ohio; Joseph Artist, Urbana, Ohio; Joseph Asbery, Oberlin, Ohio; 11
Thomas Ashbury, Dayton, Ohio; Benjamin B. Baptist, Mt. Pleasant, 12
Ohio; John L. Barker, Oberlin, Ohio; William Barrett, Salem, Ohio; 13
John Bass, Columbus, Ohio; Jones Beatty, Zanesville, Ohio; Isaac 14
Berrett, Urbana, Ohio; Andrew Betenbough, Hamilton, Ohio; Thomas 15
Betts, Columbus, Ohio; Thomas Beverly, Columbus, Ohio; John A. 16
Bouldon, Cleveland, Ohio; Thomas Bowman, Cincinnati, Ohio; 17

Randolph Brady, Hamilton, Ohio; William Brady, Salem, Ohio;	18
Fielding C. Brown, Lebanon, Ohio; Henry Brown, Toledo, Ohio; James	19
E. Brown, Oberlin, Ohio; John A. Brown, Stuebenville, Ohio;	20
William H. Brown, Wilberforce, Ohio; James W. Bush, Xenia, Ohio;	21
William Cain, Xenia, Ohio; Cato Chaney, Carthagen, Ohio; George	22
T. Charles, Richmond, Ohio; Henry C. Charton, Cincinnati, Ohio;	23
John Churchman, Carthagen, Ohio; Lewis Clark, Lebanon, Ohio;	24
James Cleveland, Cincinnati, Ohio; Rudolphus Coatney, Greene	25
County, Ohio; Samuel Coleman, Cincinnati, Ohio; Shedrick Conway,	26
Cleveland, Ohio; Lloyd Cooper, Cincinnati, Ohio; Asa Cotton,	27
Xenia, Ohio; George Cowen, Oxford, Ohio; Robert Cragg, Mercer	28
County, Ohio; Henry Craig, Cincinnati, Ohio; Anathy Dean,	29
Cleveland, Ohio; Stephen Depp, Lebanon, Ohio; William Dorsay,	30
Cleveland, Ohio; Samuel Duncan, Franklin County, Ohio; Henry	31
Ellis, II, Cincinnati, Ohio; William Ellis, I, Cincinnati, Ohio;	32
Albert Evans, Springfield, Ohio; George Evans, Xenia, Ohio;	33
Richard Evans, Xenia, Ohio; Joseph Evins, Greene County, Ohio;	34
Henry A. Field, Xenia, Ohio; Thomas Floyd, Cincinnati, Ohio;	35
William Fowlis, Champaign County, Ohio; Stephan Franklin, Dayton,	36
Ohio; James Freeman, Columbus, Ohio; Charles S. Gamrell,	37
Springfield, Ohio; Charles H. Goff, Springfield, Ohio; Benjamin	38
Green, Oberlin, Ohio; Amos Hall, Oxford, Ohio; William Hall, Lima,	39
Ohio; John W. Harper, Zanesville, Ohio; Christopher Hart,	40
Springfield, Ohio; John Hedgepath, Clinton County, Ohio; Joseph	41
Heuston, Cincinnati, Ohio; James E. Hewett, Xenia, Ohio; Thomas	42
Hewett, Xenia, Ohio; Benjamin Hogan, Mercer County, Ohio; Charles	43
M. Holloway, Wilberforce, Ohio; Joseph R. Holmes, Cincinnati,	44
Ohio; Leander Howard, Oberlin, Ohio; Alexander Hunter, Cleveland,	45
Ohio; Levi Jackson, Oxford, Ohio; Walter A. Jeffries, Cincinnati,	46
Ohio; Joseph Johnson, Hamilton, Ohio; Robert J. Jones, Hamilton,	47
Ohio; William Jones, Mt. Pleasant, Ohio; Wiley Jordan, Mercer	48
County, Ohio; George King, Toledo, Ohio; Thomas Lawrance, Xenia,	49
Ohio; William Lee, Columbus, Ohio; George Lipscomb, Cincinnati,	50

Ohio; Francis Lowe, Cleveland, Ohio; Samuel Lowmack, Columbus, 51
Ohio; Joseph Lowry, Urbana, Ohio; George Madrey, Hamilton, Ohio; 52
Jesse Mahan, Xenia, Ohio; Varnall W. Mayho, Columbus, Ohio; David 53
McCowan, Morning Sun, Ohio; Robert McJohnson, Preble County, Ohio; 54
Alvus McPherson, Oxford, Ohio; Joseph W. Meaks, Springfield, Ohio; 55
William Milton, Columbus, Ohio; William Mitchell, Oberlin, Ohio; 56
Colonel Morgan, Cincinnati, Ohio; John Morgan, Cincinnati, Ohio; 57
Lewis Munroe, Toledo, Ohio; John Myers, Oxford, Ohio; Harrison 58
Nichols, Oberlin, Ohio; Ishmael Palmer, Springboro, Ohio; Joseph 59
A. Palmer, Dayton, Ohio; George Parker, Cleveland, Ohio; Benjamin 60
Patten, Cincinnati, Ohio; Henry Patterson, I, Oberlin, Ohio; Henry 61
T. Pearl, Cleveland, Ohio; Edward Pegram, Cleveland, Ohio; William 62
Pillow, Hamilton, Ohio; William H. Pleasant, Cleveland, Ohio; 63
Anson Prater, Lucas County, Ohio; John E. Price, Cincinnati, Ohio; 64
William Princeton, Cleveland, Ohio; Napoleon B. Rector, Sandusky, 65
Ohio; George Remsley, Greene County, Ohio; Joseph T. Richardson, 66
Cleveland, Ohio; James M. Rickman, Greenville, Ohio; Oliver B. 67
Ridgeway, Oberlin, Ohio; Jeremiah Rolls, Cincinnati, Ohio; Henry 68
Russell, Oxford, Ohio; William Rutledge, Oberlin, Ohio; Thomas 69
Shaw, Cincinnati, Ohio; John Shrewsbury, Cincinnati, Ohio; Abraham 70
C. Simms, Oxford, Ohio; Henry Simpson, Columbus, Ohio; Baltimore 71
Smith, Cincinnati, Ohio; George Smith, Cincinnati, Ohio; George W. 72
Smith, Toledo, Ohio; Isaac Smith, I, Mt. Pleasant, Ohio; Isaac 73
Smith, II, Cincinnati, Ohio; Louis Smith, Columbus, Ohio; Robert 74
Smith, Springfield, Ohio; Robert Smith, Cleveland, Ohio; William 75
J. Smith, Salem, Ohio; John Soward, Cleveland, Ohio; William 76
Spain, Havana, Ohio; Hezekiah Stewart, Shelby County, Ohio; Edward 77
Stone, Toledo, Ohio; John H. Thomas, Toledo, Ohio; Jeremiah 78
Thompson, Bono, Ohio; William Thompson, Ohio; James M. Townsend, 79
Oxford, Ohio; James W. Vorce, Cleveland, Ohio; Frederick Wallace, 80
Cincinnati, Ohio; James Walker, Cincinnati, Ohio; Albert G. Wall, 81
Oberlin, Ohio; John Wall, Oberlin, Ohio; Charles Watt, Cincinnati, 82
Ohio; Sylvester Webber, Ripley, Ohio; George Weevel, Mt. Healthy, 83

Ohio; Addison White, Mechanicsburg, Ohio; Harry White, Toledo, 84
Ohio; Charles Williams, Mt. Healthy, Ohio; Edward Williams, 85
Oberlin, Ohio; John Williamson, Hamilton, Ohio; John H. Willson, 86
Cincinnati, Ohio; George Wilson, Toledo, Ohio; Isaiah Wilson, 87
Oberlin, Ohio; Henry Worthington, Defiance, Ohio; and 88

WHEREAS, Between April and June 1863, the following 89
African-American men from Ohio enlisted in the 55th Regiment of 90
the Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry: Wiley Abbott, New Richmond, 91
Ohio; Robert Abram, Chillicothe, Ohio; Albert Adams, Waynesville, 92
Ohio; David Adams, New Antioch, Ohio; George Akers, Carthagen, 93
Ohio; William H. Alexander, Seneca County, Ohio; Joseph Anderson, 94
Troy, Ohio; Nelson R. Anderson, Delaware County, Ohio; Wesley 95
Anderson, Troy, Ohio; Archer Armstead, Frankfort, Ohio; Jacob Ash, 96
Adams County, Ohio; John Bailey, Pickaway, Ohio; Thomas Baker, 97
Xenia, Ohio; Solomon C. Banks, Logan County, Ohio; William Barber, 98
Wilmington, Ohio; David Barrett, Urbana, Ohio; George Barrett, 99
Urbana, Ohio; George Bazel, Pickaway County, Ohio; Hiram Bias, 100
Columbus, Ohio; Hezekiah Bird, Frankfort, Ohio; Samuel L. Bizzell, 101
Ripley, Ohio; Edward Black, Chillicothe, Ohio; James H. Black, 102
Gallipolis, Ohio; Jordan M. Bobson, Wilmington, Ohio; Richard 103
Boone, West Jefferson, Ohio; Morris Bradley, Hillsboro, Ohio; 104
Isaiah Brandon, Xenia, Ohio; Nimrod Brooks, Columbus, Ohio; Elijah 105
Brown, Sandusky, Ohio; Henry Brown, Cincinnati, Ohio; James Brown, 106
Delaware, Ohio; John Brown, Shelby County, Ohio; John W. Brown, 107
Huntsville, Ohio; Lyne Sterling Brown, Delaware County, Ohio; 108
Thomas Brown, Coldwater, Ohio; Thomas Brown, Zanesville, Ohio; 109
John W. Bryant, Hillsboro, Ohio; George Buckner, Pickaway County, 110
Ohio; Isaiah Buckney, Urbana, Ohio; William Burns, Marysville, 111
Ohio; William Burns, Bloomingburg, Ohio; William H. Burns, Ross 112
County, Ohio; George W. Bush, Carthagen, Ohio; Charles Butler, 113
Ripley, Ohio; Gilbert Butler, Butler County, Ohio; James Henry 114
Byrd, Logan County, Ohio; Joseph Campbell, Highland County, Ohio; 115
John Carter, Barnesville, Ohio; Nelson Champ, Mt. Pleasant, Ohio; 116

Charles Chapman, Batavia, Ohio; William Charleston, Upper Sandusky, Ohio; James Chatman, Harrisburg, Ohio; Ransom Chatman, Xenia, Ohio; Archie Claiborne, Harrisburg, Ohio; Henry Claiborne, Harrisburg, Ohio; Charles E. Clark, Upper Sandusky, Ohio; John W. Clark, Upper Sandusky, Ohio; William H. Clay, Aberdeen, Ohio; James Cochran, Chillicothe, Ohio; Pickens Colbreath, Ripley, Ohio; Joshua Cole, Sandusky, Ohio; Frank Collins, Ripley, Ohio; John Collins, Ohio; George Collwell, Ripley, Ohio; Alfred Cornelius, Gallipolis, Ohio; John Q.A. Cosby, Cardington, Ohio; Willis Cotton, Frankfort, Ohio; Cyrus Cowan, Troy, Ohio; Garrett Cox, Troy, Ohio; William Cox, Troy, Ohio; Fortunatius Craig, Carthagen, Ohio; John Crockett, Harveysburg, Ohio; George Cromwell, Maumee, Ohio; Armstrong Crowder, Pickaway, Ohio; Paul Crowder, Miami County, Ohio; Morris Darnell, Sandusky, Ohio; Henry Davis, Chillicothe, Ohio; William Davis, Sandusky, Ohio; Joseph Dawson, Harrisburg, Ohio; Charles Dean, Huntsville, Ohio; Isaac Delay, Ripley, Ohio; Elijah Derricks, Perrysburg, Ohio; Walter C. Dickerson, Ross County, Ohio; Henry Dinwiddie, Chillicothe, Ohio; Rufus M. Dix, Xenia, Ohio; Moses Dixon, Chillicothe, Ohio; Simon Douglas, Sidney, Ohio; Joshua Dunbar, Troy, Ohio; William H. Dupree, Chillicothe, Ohio; Aaron A. Dyson, Bothinsville, Ohio; Isaac Edwards, Barnesville, Ohio; Paul Erving, Springfield, Ohio; Andrew Essex, Hillsboro, Ohio; Jacob Essex, Venice, Ohio; Armstead Evans, Chillicothe, Ohio; Henry Evans, Chillicothe, Ohio; Sterling Evans, Troy, Ohio; Thomas T. Evans, Chillicothe, Ohio; Colson Fairfax, Harrisburg, Ohio; Albert T. Felts, New Lexington, Ohio; Cethe C. Felts, New Lexington, Ohio; Samuel Fields, Milo, Ohio; Lewis Fitzhughes, Frankfort, Ohio; Peter Fleming, Albany, Ohio; Elisha G. Flood, Ohio; John R. Ford, Lebanon, Ohio; William Fortune, Chillicothe, Ohio; James Fox, Pickaway County, Ohio; Lorenzo Fox, Troy, Ohio; William A. Fox, Pickaway County, Ohio; John Francis, Harrisburg, Ohio; Anthony Freeman, Barnesville, Ohio; George Gales, Chillicothe, Ohio; Frank Gardner, Sandusky,	117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144 145 146 147 148 149
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Ohio; James T. Gibson, Troy, Ohio; Harrison Gillard, Troy, Ohio;	150
James Gillard, Troy, Ohio; James Gillispie, Pickaway County, Ohio;	151
Wallace L. Glaspey, Hardin County, Ohio; Horace Goins, Hillsboro,	152
Ohio; Randall Goins, Hillsboro, Ohio; James Grain, Jamestown,	153
Ohio; Charles Gray, Frankfort, Ohio; David Gray, Sandusky, Ohio;	154
James Green, Xenia, Ohio; Joseph Green, Xenia, Ohio; Levi Green,	155
Wilmington, Ohio; Simean T. Green, Harveysburg, Ohio; Harrison	156
Griffin, Cleveland, Ohio; Henry Griffy, Springfield, Ohio; Charles	157
Henry Groose, Delaware County, Ohio; Nathaniel Gross, Ripley,	158
Ohio; Jasper Haddock, Somerton, Ohio; David A. Hall, Oberlin,	159
Ohio; Eli Hall, Pickaway County, Ohio; Josiah C. Hall, Cincinnati,	160
Ohio; Randolph Hampton, Bellefontaine, Ohio; Alexander Hannon,	161
Xenia, Ohio; William Hargrave, Wilmington, Ohio; Beverly Harris,	162
Troy, Ohio; Henry Harris, Xenia, Ohio; Robert Harris, Columbus,	163
Ohio; William Harris, Sandusky, Ohio; John Henderson, Ripley,	164
Ohio; Powell Hendrick, Ripley, Ohio; Richard Hendrick, Ripley,	165
Ohio; William Henry, Columbus, Ohio; Charles Hicks, Cambridge,	166
Ohio; John L. Hicks, Greenfield, Ohio; George Higginson, Trenton,	167
Ohio; James P. Hightower, Xenia, Ohio; Orlando S. Hightower,	168
Wilmington, Ohio; Edward Augustus Highwarder, Delaware County,	169
Ohio; John Wesley Highwarder, Delaware County, Ohio; Samuel Hill,	170
Martinsville, Ohio; Thomas H. Hill, Barnesville, Ohio; William	171
Hill, Wayne County, Ohio; Charles H. Holmes, Champaign County,	172
Ohio; Josiah Howard, Russell, Ohio; William Howard, Xenia, Ohio;	173
Alick Humes, Troy, Ohio; John Humes, Troy, Ohio; William Hunt,	174
Troy, Ohio; Austin Hurley, Springfield, Ohio; Joseph H. Hurley,	175
Somerton, Ohio; Thornton Hurley, Somerton, Ohio; Daniel Ivery,	176
Andersonville, Ohio; Alexander Jackson, Chillicothe, Ohio; Henry	177
Jackson, Chillicothe, Ohio; Manuel P. Jackson, Chillicothe, Ohio;	178
Robert Jackson, Hillsboro, Ohio; Alexander Jenkins, Bloomingburg,	179
Ohio; Charles Jenkins, New Marion, Ohio; Thomas Jenkins, Ohio;	180
Franklin Johnson, Chillicothe, Ohio; Henry Johnson, Ripley, Ohio;	181
Hezekiah Johnson, Huntsville, Ohio; James Johnson, Youngstown,	182

Ohio; Joseph Johnson, Republic, Ohio; Matthew Johnson, Youngstown,	183
Ohio; Thomas Johnson, Dayton, Ohio; William H. Johnson,	184
Chillicothe, Ohio; William H. Johnson, Sandusky, Ohio; Armstead M.	185
Jones, Shelby County, Ohio; John M. Jones, Hamilton, Ohio; John W.	186
Jones, Troy, Ohio; Osbourne Jones, Ross County, Ohio; Peter Jones,	187
West Milton, Ohio; George D. Jones, Ripley, Ohio; Samuel Jube,	188
Champaign County, Ohio; John Kees, Urbana, Ohio; Martin Kennedy,	189
Cumberland, Ohio; David M.P. Kenney, Mt. Gilead, Ohio; David U.	190
King, Mount Pleasant, Ohio; John King, Bellefontaine, Ohio;	191
Jonathan King, Mount Pleasant, Ohio; Robert King, New Richmond,	192
Ohio; Howard Landrum, Circleville, Ohio; David Lee, Xenia, Ohio;	193
Adolphus Lewis, Union County, Ohio; George B. Lewis, Delaware	194
County, Ohio; George W. Lewis, Ripley, Ohio; James Lewis,	195
Chillicothe, Ohio; Solomon Lidle, Chillicothe, Ohio; William	196
Little, Springfield, Ohio; Jesse Locklear, Chillicothe, Ohio;	197
William H. Love, Troy, Ohio; David Low, Columbus, Ohio; Benjamin	198
Lyons, Upper Sandusky, Ohio; William Mabra, Barnesville, Ohio;	199
Francis Macafee, New Market, Ohio; Franklin Malone, Chillicothe,	200
Ohio; James Malone, Marysville, Ohio; Silas Malone, Gurneyville,	201
Ohio; Charles Markerfield, Carthagen, Ohio; Henry Martin, Ripley,	202
Ohio; Thomas Maxwell, Cincinnati, Ohio; Henry Mayo, Chillicothe,	203
Ohio; James Mays, Cincinnati, Ohio; Francis McCoglin, Shelby	204
County, Ohio; James McFarland, (James Washington), Hillsboro,	205
Ohio; Presley McGee, London, Ohio; Archy McKinney, Adams County,	206
Ohio; George McPherson, Steubenville, Ohio; William Miller,	207
Cincinnati, Ohio; James Minton, Delaware County, Ohio; George	208
Mitchell, Chillicothe, Ohio; George W. Moore, Columbus, Ohio;	209
Isaac Moore, Bellefontaine, Ohio; Weston Moore, Carthagen, Ohio;	210
Alexander Morgan, Bainbridge, Ohio; Charles H. Morgan, Springboro,	211
Ohio; Hiram Morgan, Springfield, Ohio; Richard Morrison, Hamilton,	212
Ohio; James Moss, Carthagen, Ohio; John M. Myers, Barnesville,	213
Ohio; Norris Needham, Springfield, Ohio; James S. Nelson,	214
Republic, Ohio; William Nelson, Frankfort, Ohio; Henry A. Newland,	215

Zanesfield, Ohio; Robert Newsome, Bellefontaine, Ohio; William	216
Nickerson, Williamsburg, Ohio; Charles Oglesby, Troy, Ohio; Thomas	217
Overton, Carthagena, Ohio; James Owens, Frankfort, Ohio; Osborne	218
Owens, Union County, Ohio; Daniel A. Paine, Barnesville, Ohio;	219
George M. Parker, Frankfort, Ohio; Lott H. Parker, Bellefontaine,	220
Ohio; John Patterson, Hamilton, Ohio; Jacob Payne, Bainbridge,	221
Ohio; John H. Payne, Bellefontaine, Ohio; Lawrence Payne,	222
Frankfort, Ohio; William J. Peel, Shelby County, Ohio; David S.	223
Peterson, Barnesville, Ohio; Ferdinand Peterson, Barnesville,	224
Ohio; Joseph H. Peterson, Barnesville, Ohio; Marcus Peterson,	225
Barnesville, Ohio; Charles Peyton, Cincinnati, Ohio; Henry Powell,	226
Cabletown, Ohio; Isaiah Price, Cincinnati, Ohio; Calvin Rector,	227
Urbana, Ohio; Charles Redman, Hillsboro, Ohio; William H. Redman,	228
Chillicothe, Ohio; Jacob W. Reid, Springfield, Ohio; Elijah	229
Revels, Youngstown, Ohio; George W. Richardson, Chillicothe, Ohio;	230
William Richardson, Chillicothe, Ohio; Finley Rickman, Ross	231
County, Ohio; Thomas Rickman, Bainbridge, Ohio; Henry C. Ritchie,	232
Marysville, Ohio; Lewis Roberts, Bellefontaine, Ohio; William C.	233
Roberts, Bellefontaine, Ohio; Thomas Robinson, Sandusky, Ohio;	234
William F. Robinson, Barnesville, Ohio; James D. Ross, Ross	235
County, Ohio; West Royal, Sandusky, Ohio; Thomas Russell,	236
Chillicothe, Ohio; Caswell Sampson, Barnesville, Ohio; David W.	237
Samson, Bellefontaine, Ohio; Nicholas Sansberry, Cincinnati, Ohio;	238
William Sawyer, Oxford, Ohio; William H. Schell, Ripley, Ohio;	239
Alexander Scott, Bellefontaine, Ohio; Alexander Scott, Ripley,	240
Ohio; Benjamin Scott, Waynesville, Ohio; Benjamin B. Scott, Xenia,	241
Ohio; William Scott, Ripley, Ohio; James Selden, Hillsboro, Ohio;	242
George Seward, Frankfort, Ohio; William Sheldon, Pickaway, Ohio;	243
James Shipp, Barnesville, Ohio; John H. Shipp, Barnesville, Ohio;	244
John F. Shorter, Delaware County, Ohio; Simon P. Shorter, Delaware	245
County, Ohio; Daniel Smith, New Richmond, Ohio; William H. Smith,	246
Urbana, Ohio; David Spears, Shelby, Ohio; Albert Steen, Ripley,	247
Ohio; Nathaniel Steward, Wilmington, Ohio; William Steward, Ross	248

County, Ohio; Henry I. Stockley, Ohio; Abraham Stuart, Mount Pleasant, Ohio; William Stuart, Cincinnati, Ohio; William Sweet, Bellefontaine, Ohio; James H. Tann, Circleville, Ohio; George W. Taylor, Rushsylvania, Ohio; Samuel Taylor, Logan County, Ohio; Stephen Taylor, Sandusky, Ohio; Alexander Thomas, Wilmington, Ohio; George W. Thomas, Cincinnati, Ohio; Samuel Thomas, Madison, Ohio; William Thomas, Flushing, Ohio; George W. Thompson, Maumee, Ohio; Isaiah A. Thompson, Maumee, Ohio; John H. Thompson, Troy, Ohio; Martin Thompson, Columbia, Ohio; John Tilghman, Jefferson, Ohio; William Trotter, West Jefferson, Ohio; Olmstead Turner, Columbus, Ohio; Nelson Vaughn, Mercer County, Ohio; Peter Waggoner, Ross County, Ohio; John W. Walker, Oberlin, Ohio; James M. Wallace, Sandusky, Ohio; Stephen Ward, Bellefontaine, Ohio; Virginius Ward, Pike County, Ohio; Richard T. Warwick, Bellefontaine, Ohio; Harrison Washington, Sandusky, Ohio; James A. Washington, Republic, Ohio; Joseph Waze, Antioch, Ohio; George White, Milford Center, Ohio; Israel White, Troy, Ohio; Richard W. White, Salem, Ohio; Silas White, West Milton, Ohio; Spencer White, Troy, Ohio; Edward P. F. Whitsell, Republic, Ohio; George W. Whyte, Delaware County, Ohio; Robert Wicker, Pickaway County, Ohio; William Wicker, Troy, Ohio; Abner Williams, Leesburg, Ohio; Abner A. Williams, Ross County, Ohio; Claiborne Williams, Chillicothe, Ohio; Edmund Williams, Highland County, Ohio; George Williams, Sandusky, Ohio; James Williams, Cincinnati, Ohio; James W. Williams, Leesburg, Ohio; Henry Wilson, Troy, Ohio; Joseph Wilson, Barnesville, Ohio; John D. Wood, Flushing, Ohio; Lewis Wood, Hillsboro, Ohio; Henry Woodley, Bellefontaine, Ohio; George W. Worthington, Defiance, Ohio; Jonathan C. Wright, Sandusky, Ohio; Benjamin Wyatt, Ripley, Ohio; Henry Young, Ripley, Ohio; and	249 250 251 252 253 254 255 256 257 258 259 260 261 262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277
WHEREAS, The soldiers of the 54th Regiment of the Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry served with honor in South Carolina in the Assault on Fort Wagner, the Battle of Honey Hill, and the Battle of Boykin's Mills, and in Florida in the Battle of	278 279 280 281

Oolustee; and 282

WHEREAS, The soldiers of the 55th Regiment of the 283
Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry served with honor in South 284
Carolina at Folly Island and in the Battle of Honey Hill; and 285

WHEREAS, Corporal Henry F. Peal of Oberlin, Ohio, served with 286
the 54th Regiment of the Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry and 287
received the Gillmore Medal for his bravery in carrying the flag 288
during the Assault on Fort Wagner; and 289

WHEREAS, These 511 Ohio soldiers have not been recognized for 290
their contribution to the Union cause; now therefore be it 291

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 292
Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of the State of 293
Ohio, in adopting this resolution, honor the 511 African-American 294
Ohioans who enlisted in the 54th and 55th Regiments of the 295
Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry during the Civil War; and be it 296
further 297

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 298
transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the news 299
media of Ohio. 300