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S. R. No. 266

**Senators Niehaus, Kearney, Bacon, Balderson, Beagle, Brown, Burke,
Cafaro, Coley, Eklund, Faber, Gentile, Hite, Hughes, Jones, Jordan, LaRose,
Lehner, Manning, Obhof, Oelslager, Patton, Peterson, Sawyer, Schaffer,
Schiavoni, Seitz, Skindell, Smith, Tavares, Turner, Wagoner, Widener**

RESOLUTION

Honoring the Morrill Land-Grant Act of 1862 on its
One Hundred Fiftieth Anniversary.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to the Morrill Land-Grant Act of 1862 on the celebration of its One Hundred Fiftieth Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, This is, indeed, an auspicious milestone, and celebration is certainly in order. Signed into law in 1862 by President Abraham Lincoln, the Morrill Land-Grant Act has helped to energize the vital intellectual resources of our nation by making higher education accessible to the public and thereby apply that intellectual capacity to stimulating the national economy; and

WHEREAS, The Morrill Land-Grant Act has had a positive impact on the State of Ohio by strengthening agriculture and industry and continuing to assist the state economy with successive waves of innovation. Indeed, countless Ohioans have experienced a profound benefit from this landmark legislation, which has led to the democratization and prolific spread of higher education to all Americans; and

WHEREAS, Education is vital to our nation's continued economic and social well-being, and as the need for global

learning and understanding increases, so do the demands placed upon our system of education. Since its inception, the Morrill Land-Grant Act has helped schools throughout the United States consistently and effectively meet these demands, and we are certain that their teachers and administrators will continue in their unfaltering dedication to helping students become capable and well-rounded individuals; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the Morrill Land-Grant Act of 1862 on its Sesquicentennial; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copies of this Resolution to the news media of Ohio. I, Vincent L. Keeran, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution No. 266, adopted by the Ohio Senate, May 22, 2012.

Vincent L. Keeran
Clerk of the Senate

Senator Tom Niehaus
President of the Senate

Senator Eric Kearney
Senatorial District No. 9