

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate July 2014 as Ohio Independent Business
Month.

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Ohio (the
Senate concurring):*

WHEREAS, The members of the 130th General Assembly of the State
of Ohio are pleased to designate July 2014 as "Ohio Independent Business
Month"; and

WHEREAS, According to 2009 data collected by the federal Small
Business Administration, Ohio has over 880,000 small businesses; and

WHEREAS, Small businesses represent over 98% of all Ohio
employers and employ 48% of the private sector workforce; and

WHEREAS, A 2011 private study that surveyed over 5,000 Ohio
businesses and consumers found that 83% of those surveyed expressed
support for Ohio small businesses, but felt that there was no easy way to
find information on such businesses; and

WHEREAS, Increased public awareness of Ohio's small businesses is
key to the well-being of the state's economy; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 130th General Assembly of
the State of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, recognize July 2014 as Ohio
Independent Business Month; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit
duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the Governor and to the news
media of Ohio.

Speaker _____ of the House of Representatives.

President _____ of the Senate.

Adopted _____, 20____