## As Introduced

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## **Senator LaRose**

## RESOLUTION

Honoring the late Second Lieutenant David E. Rylander as the recipient of a 2013 Ohio Military Medal of Distinction.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio extend posthumous recognition to Second Lieutenant David E. Rylander on being presented with an Ohio Military Medal of Distinction; and

WHEREAS, David Rylander was a truly unforgettable man whose words and actions endeared him to everyone who knew him. A remarkable person who experienced joy, understood kindness and loyalty, and knew how to communicate his beliefs and share his strengths, he confronted challenges and faced adversity with an admirable spirit, and the legacy of care and commitment he established will surely live on; and

WHEREAS, A member of the 7th Engineer Battalion, 10th Sustainment Brigade, 10th Mountain Division of the United States Army serving in Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, David Rylander embodied a combination of knowledge and commitment that made him a truly valuable part of our country's armed forces. Clearly, he was devoted to our country, and the ultimate sacrifice that he made to defend the ideals of democracy will stand as a monument to his personal character. His valiant efforts were truly admirable; and

WHEREAS, America has remained strong through the efforts of

people such as David Rylander, who have demonstrated a commendable sense of duty, dedication to the noble principles of democracy, and love of country through exemplary military service. Indeed, his family and the citizens of Ohio and the United States can be proud that he helped preserve our nation's traditions of courage and excellence; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, pay tribute to the late Second Lieutenant David E. Rylander on receiving an Ohio Military Medal of Distinction; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Second Lieutenant David E. Rylander.