

**Senator Tavares**

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**RESOLUTION**

Honoring The Ohio State University College of  
Optometry on its Centennial.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to The Ohio State University College of Optometry on the auspicious occasion of its One Hundredth Anniversary, celebrated September 6, 2014; and

WHEREAS, This is, indeed, a significant anniversary, and congratulations are in order as this vibrant and venerable institution marks a very special milestone. Started by Professor Charles Sheard, The Ohio State University Applied Optics began as a two-year course in 1914 and became a four-year, degree-granting program the following year, and it operated under the Department of Physics in the College of Engineering until the School of Optometry was created in the Colleges of the Arts and Sciences in 1937. Establishing the doctor of optometry degree in 1964, the school became the College of Optometry in 1967, and it has since expanded its research programs, including developing methods to evaluate oxygen consumption by the cornea and to measure the permeability of contact lens materials, and updated its curriculum to incorporate diagnostic and therapeutic drugs; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, The Ohio State University College of Optometry has consistently provided a host of opportunities to countless students by offering them outstanding curricula, instruction, and facilities. To their credit, the college's expert faculty members and conscientious, dedicated

administrators have always insisted upon exacting academic standards, and they merit praise for preparing people of all ages for fulfilling occupations and rewarding positions in our complex society. It has steadily grown in stature as an exciting hub of intellectual discovery and an indispensable scholastic center for the exchange of ideas and information; and

WHEREAS, The Ohio State University College of Optometry can be depended upon to produce a sizable number of qualified leaders who are ready to assume key roles in their field, and it inspires confidence that it will tenaciously maintain its long tradition of academic excellence. During this landmark year, the administration, faculty, staff, students, and alumni can take pride in their contributions to the school's distinguished heritage. Clearly, this fine educational institution will thrive and flourish for many years to come; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, applaud The Ohio State University College of Optometry on one hundred years of outstanding education and extend best wishes for the future; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to The Ohio State University College of Optometry.

I, Vincent L. Keeran, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution No. 190, adopted by the Ohio Senate, September 17, 2013.

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Vincent L. Keeran  
Clerk of the Senate

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Senator Keith Faber  
President of the Senate

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Senator Charleta B. Tavares  
Senatorial District No. 15