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Senators Hughes, Jordan, Bacon, Tavares

RESOLUTION

Honoring Jack Hanna on thirty-five years of service to the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to Jack Hanna on the memorable occasion of his Thirty-fifth Anniversary with the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his distinguished career, Jack Hanna has demonstrated an unwavering dedication to performing his duties and fulfilling his responsibilities with the utmost efficiency and competence. Previously directing the Central Florida Zoo, he became director of the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium in 1978 and director emeritus in 1992, and under his astute leadership, the zoo has expanded and modernized its facilities and animal habitats, adopted and pioneered progressive zoological practices, added property, including a water park and a golf course, created such programs as Boo at the Zoo and Wildlights, developed partnerships with community businesses and organizations, and increased annual attendance to more than two million visitors; and

WHEREAS, Always sincere and energetic in his approach to his work, Jack Hanna has given generously of his time and abilities far beyond what was required or expected and has displayed a genuine commitment to improving the quality of life in our society. Among his endeavors, he has traveled around the world, appeared on numerous news and talk shows, and hosted various television programs to feature exotic animals and garner interest in wildlife and habitat conservation; and

WHEREAS, The enthusiasm and expertise Jack Hanna has shown in his endeavors have gained him the appreciation and admiration of many. Indeed, he has the satisfaction of knowing that he has provided a valuable service to the community and our environment and has established a record of personal and professional achievement that will stand as a hallmark for others to emulate; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, congratulate Jack Hanna on his Thirty-fifth Anniversary with the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium and extend best wishes for ongoing success; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to Jack Hanna.