

As Introduced

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S. R. No. 322

Senator Oelslager

A RESOLUTION

In memory of Thomas W. Hannon.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Thomas W. Hannon and extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Tom Hannon left an indelible impression on the people whose lives he touched, and he will be remembered as a spirited individual who contributed immeasurably to the world around him. An inventor and patent holder and the author of a book, he was the owner and manager of several companies, chairman of the board of The Hannon (Electric) Company, past president of the Dougherty Wholesale Floral Company and Hannon International Europa B.V., and vice president of Netherlands American Amity Trust, and he was active with such organizations as Electrical Apparatus Service Association International, the Nimishillen Zoning Board of Appeals, the Ohio-area Foundation of Independent Colleges, the Walsh University Board of Advisors, the Cleveland State University Foundation Board, the Center for Strategic and International Studies, the Ira Turpin Foundation, the William McKinley Museum, the Hannon Early Childhood Center, the Carriage Association of America, and the Carriage Museum of America, which he founded. Also involved with the Stark County Republican Party, he was the area coordinator for two presidential elections and an at-large delegate to the Republican National Convention, and he associated with dignitaries around the world as well as hosted them in his home; and

WHEREAS, Tom Hannon's regard for improving the quality of life in our society was clearly evident in his personal sacrifices of time and effort to his family, friends, and community. Giving

generously of his energy and abilities in all of his endeavors, he 29
displayed exceptional concern and insight, and his absence will be 30
keenly felt; and 31

WHEREAS, A loving husband to his wife, Theresa, a devoted 32
father to his four children, Trudy, Tania, Timothy, and Taraline, 33
and the proud grandfather of eleven grandchildren, Heidi, Heather, 34
Matthew, Zachary, Isaac, Nathaniel, Kathryn, Sarrah, Thomas, 35
Christopher, and Kelsey, and nine great-grandchildren, Isabel, 36
Brendan, Hyland, Colton, Luke, Benjamin, Meghan, Maximos, and 37
Deaglan, Tom Hannon always used his talents to the benefit of 38
others, and the laurels of his life stand as a tribute not only to 39
him but also to those he left behind. Although the void his death 40
has created can never be filled, the legacy of care and commitment 41
he established will surely live on. The world is a richer place 42
for his having been in it, and he will be sorely missed; therefore 43
be it 44

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 45
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, express a 46
profound sense of loss and sincere regret at the death of Thomas 47
W. Hannon and, in so doing, pay tribute to the memory of a truly 48
unique individual; and be it further 49

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 50
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Thomas W. 51
Hannon. 52