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Senators Hackett, Schiavoni

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the Ohio Scenic River Act of 1968 on its Fiftieth
Anniversary.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General 1
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to the Ohio Scenic 2
River Act of 1968 on the auspicious occasion of its Fiftieth 3
Anniversary; and 4

WHEREAS, Recognition of this prestigious milestone is a 5
fitting tribute to the Ohio Scenic River Act of 1968, for its 6
passing marks an important point in Ohio's history. Approved by 7
the Ohio General Assembly and signed into law on February 29, 8
1968, the act was the first scenic rivers act in the country, and 9
it created a state program to protect Ohio's high quality streams. 10
The first State Scenic River was the Little Miami River, which was 11
designated on April 23, 1969, and today, the Maumee, Sandusky, 12
Stillwater, Olentangy, Kokosing, Mohican, Ashtabula, Chagrin, 13
Grand, and Upper Cuyahoga rivers and the Greenville, Conneaut, and 14
Little Beaver creeks have all been designated as either scenic, 15
wild and scenic, or scenic and recreational; and 16

WHEREAS, The State of Ohio has benefited greatly from the 17
Ohio Scenic River Act of 1968. The single most important effort in 18
maintaining the health of streams and rivers is the restoration of 19
streamside forests since the removal of forested corridors 20
increases erosion, runoff, and sedimentation, and the celebration 21
of this pioneering program is worthy of the highest praise; and 22

WHEREAS, The spirit of our nation is founded upon, and 23
reflected in, its past, and the memorializing of significant 24
landmarks and events is vital to the preservation of America's 25
heritage. All those involved with the observance of the Fiftieth 26
Anniversary of the Ohio Scenic River Act of 1968 are to be 27

applauded for their tremendous efforts to ensure that the 28
important details of our past are transmitted to succeeding 29
generations for their reflection and appreciation; therefore be it 30

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 31
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, honor the 32
Ohio Scenic River Act of 1968 on its Fiftieth Anniversary and 33
encourage all citizens to reflect on the significance of the 34
landmark legislation and salute all those associated with 35
implementing and preserving the act as fine Ohioans; and be it 36
further 37

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly 38
authenticated copies of this Resolution to the news media of Ohio. 39