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**H. R. No. 94**

**Representative Schaffer**

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**A RESOLUTION**

In memory of Specialist Joseph P. Collette.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 1  
133rd General Assembly of Ohio pay tribute to Specialist Joseph P. 2  
Collette and extend our sincere sympathy to his family and many 3  
friends during this sorrowful occasion; and 4

WHEREAS, Joseph Collette was a proud American who served the 5  
United States Army for more than eight years, most recently as an 6  
explosive ordnance disposal technician, and his death is an 7  
unmistakable tragedy. He was assigned to the 242nd Ordnance 8  
Battalion, 62nd Ordnance Company, 71st Ordnance Group, and he 9  
leaves behind a legacy of dedicated service for others to emulate; 10  
and 11

WHEREAS, A 2007 graduate of Lancaster High School, Joseph 12  
Collette expended his untiring efforts on behalf of the country he 13  
so loved and strove to perpetuate a better existence for his own 14  
children and future generations. He was a true hero, and he always 15  
put others before himself, even until his last moments. Our state 16  
and nation would do well to have more people following his example 17  
of bravery and service; and 18

WHEREAS, Joseph Collette's personal sacrifices of time and 19  
energy to his family, including his wife, Caela, his two children, 20  
Blair and Cody, his two stepchildren, Lena and Aria, his parents, 21  
Theresa and Joseph, his siblings, Anthony, Camille, and Nicholas, 22  
and a host of beloved extended relatives, and longtime friends 23  
will certainly live beyond him. He will be remembered for his 24  
kindness, sense of humor, and unwavering commitment, and though 25  
the void created by his death can never be filled, the warmth and 26  
understanding he so readily extended to others will stand as a 27

testament to his personal character. He will be remembered fondly 28  
by all those who loved him and served beside him; therefore be it 29

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 30  
Representatives of the 133rd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 31  
this Resolution, pay tribute to the memory of a truly honorable 32  
and courageous man, Specialist Joseph P. Collette; and be it 33  
further 34

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 35  
transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the 36  
family of Specialist Joseph P. Collette. 37