STATE OF OHIO

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2018 Romanians will celebrate 100 years since the Great Union of Romanians, which led to the consolidation of a modern state inspired by the principles of freedom, democracy, economic liberty and social progress; and

WHEREAS, Romanian presence in Ohio dates back to the late 19th century, when Romanian immigrants began calling Ohio home;

WHEREAS, Ohio has since become home to one of the largest, and oldest, Romanian communities in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in 1967, The Romanian Cultural Garden was dedicated in the Cleveland Cultural Gardens, along with a historical marker to teach visitors about the Carpatina Society — the first Romanian mutual-benefit society in Cleveland, Ohio, and the first society of its kind in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ohio is grateful for the talent, energy and creativity of successive generations of Romanian-Ohioans that help make up, and strengthen, the fabric of our state; and

WHEREAS, ties between the State of Ohio and Romania are increasingly more diverse due to an expansion in bilateral trade, educational programs, and the advent of an open community of American and Romanian youth who engage freely in innovation and entrepreneurship.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, encourage all Ohioans to join in celebrating

100 YEARS SINCE ROMANIA'S GREAT UNION

And commend Romania for her achievements as a vibrant nation and for being a close and trusted friend and partner of the United States.

On this 1st day of June 2018;

John R. Kasich Governor

Mary Taylor

Lieutenant Governor