

Executive Department

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Wilbur and Orville Wright were raised in Dayton, Ohio, and tested flying technology in their bicycle shop in Dayton; and

WHEREAS, the Wright Brothers were the first to fly a self-propelled, heavier than air machine in 1903, with the longest flight lasting less than a minute; and

WHEREAS, between 1903 and 1905, the Wright Brothers continued their flight testing at Huffman Prairie in Fairborn, Ohio, near their home town of Dayton, to perfect their technology; and

WHEREAS, on October 5, 1905, Wilbur flew the Wright Flyer III for 39 minutes around Huffman Prairie, only stopping when running out of gas, proving that flight was practical; and

WHEREAS, the Wright Brothers' achievements are honored by the National Aviation Heritage Area in Dayton, Ohio, marking Ohio's leadership in our nation's aviation history, and the Wright Brothers' name and innovative spirit live on in Ohio-based institutions such as Wright State University and Wright Patterson Air Force Base.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby designate October 5th, 2011

WRIGHT BROTHERS DAY

throughout Ohio and urge citizens to honor the important contributions of the Wright Brothers to improving the well-being of the citizens of Ohio.

On this 5th day of October, 2011;


John R. Kasich
Governor

