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**HOUSE  
RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

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*Introduced by:* Denbo

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION to request the formation of a 1999 summer study commission to analyze issues regarding State involvement with the rehabilitation of the West Baden Springs Hotel;

Whereas, West Baden Springs Hotel was built in 1902. The hotel's beautiful architecture and engineering are considered construction marvels;

Whereas, West Baden Springs Hotel is an important historic legacy for the State and was purchased in 1996 by the Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana in order to save the structure from ruin and seek financial assistance from the private sector to aid in the restoration of the property;

Whereas, Cook Group Incorporated has made a tremendous private sector commitment to the preservation of West Baden



Springs Hotel by contributing over \$20 million to the project;

Whereas, the restoration project has preserved the property and provided significant renewal to the Orange County community. The creation of jobs for construction workers, artisans and professionals has been a direct result of the rehabilitation of the property;

Whereas, additional resources will be needed to cover the extensive costs of this historic landmark;

Whereas, The Indiana House of Representatives would value and benefit from the study and report of an interim study committee created by the Legislative Council, to examine the necessity of State involvement, as such could be conveniently made.

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the  
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the legislative council is urged to establish an interim study committee to study issues regarding State involvement with the rehabilitation of the West Baden Springs Hotel.

SECTION 2. That the committee, if established, shall operate under the direction of the legislative council and that the committee shall issue a final report when directed to do so by the council.

SECTION 3. That the Principal Clerk of the Indiana House of Representatives transmit a copy of this House Resolution to Representative Denbo.

