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**HOUSE CONCURRENT
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Whereas, Ron Czepiel and his wife, Sue, are the owners of Teacher's Delight, a children's store offering a variety of toys and books;

Whereas, Ron Czepiel is the founder of the Lafayette chapter of First Book, which was the first branch of this national organization in the state;

Whereas, First Book is a national nonprofit organization committed to giving children the opportunity to read and own their first new book;

Whereas, First Book's mission is to get books into the hands of young people and to support family involvement in learning so that children and their families can reach for a viable, successful future;

Whereas, In 1998, First Book distributed 550,000 new books to more than 200,000 children throughout the country;

Whereas, Mr. Czepiel has recently volunteered the use of his store's warehouse space and employee time to the National Book Distribution Program;

Whereas, The National Book Distribution Program is a new program initiative by First Book that involves the National School Supply and Equipment Association (NSSEA)



and the Children's Book Council in an attempt to strengthen First Book's existing book distribution efforts;

Whereas, The National Book Distribution Program allows First Book to obtain large quantities of children's books from major publishers and ship them to centralized locations throughout the country;

Whereas, Reading is fundamental to the success of our children;

Whereas, If children learn to love reading at an early age, they are much more likely to continue to read throughout their lives; and

Whereas, It is fitting that we recognize the contributions of Mr. Czepiel to the children of Indiana through his efforts to encourage reading: Therefore,

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

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly wishes to thank
2 Mr. Czepiel on behalf of the citizens of the state of Indiana for all the
3 contributions he has made to the effort to instill the love of reading in
4 our children.

5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
6 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Mr. Czepiel and
7 his wife, Sue.

