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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring the bravery of Shawn Powell and Deputy Marshall Brian Reneau.

WHEREAS, *In July 1998 Shawn Powell and Deputy Marshall Brian Reneau worked together to rescue Melissa Jones from her truck which fell into a water filled sinkhole along State Road 26 in Grant County following very heavy rains;*

WHEREAS, *Shawn Powell, the first person on the scene, worked to rescue Melissa Jones from her truck as he fought the rushing current and risked his own life so that Melissa Jones would be safe;*

WHEREAS, *Deputy Marshall Brian Reneau, off-duty at the time, was checking on the high water along this stretch of roadway and came upon Melissa Jones and Shawn Powell. Jumping from his*



vehicle, he swam to the two soaked residents and helped them to safety;

WHEREAS, The quick-thinking of these two men clearly saved the life of Melissa Jones;

WHEREAS, Shawn Powell and Deputy Marshall Brian Reneau did not think twice about risking their own lives for the safety of another and should be commended and held in high accord for their heroism and valor in an emergency situation.;

WHEREAS, Shawn Powell and Deputy Marshall Brian Reneau clearly are heroes in the true sense of the word; and

WHEREAS, The State of Indiana owes a great deal of thanks to both of these gentlemen for their courage, selflessness and desire to reach out to someone in need: Therefore,

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

Section 1. The Indiana House of Representatives honors the bravery of Shawn Powell and Deputy Marshall Brian Reneau as they worked together to save the life of Melissa Jones.

Section 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to Shawn Powell and Deputy Marshall Brian Reneau.

