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

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*Introduced by: Porter, Richardson, Tyler, Torr*

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A RESOLUTION to honor the Civil Air Patrol for its contributions to protecting the citizens of the United States.

*Whereas, On December 1, 1941, the United States Air Force Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol (CAP) was founded to serve as a supplemental resource to assist the military in protecting the United States citizens and was comprised of volunteer members from each state, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia;*

*Whereas, The capabilities of this new volunteer organization were put to the test almost immediately when Pearl Harbor was attacked just one week after its inception;*

*Whereas, In recognition of the success of this program, President Truman established CAP as a federally chartered*

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*benevolent Civilian Corporation on July 1, 1946; on May 26, 1948, Congress passed Public Law 557, making CAP the auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force and charging it with three primary missions: emergency services, cadet programs, and aerospace education;*

*Whereas, CAP conducts 95 percent of all inland search and rescue in the United States, saving an average of 100 lives per year; CAP also performs aerial reconnaissance for homeland security, provides disaster relief support and damage assessment, and transports time-sensitive medical materials;*

*Whereas, Through the CAP cadet program, almost 27,000 young people between the ages of 12 and 21 develop leadership skills by participating in a multi-step program that includes aviation and aerospace education;*

*Whereas, The cadet program provides college scholarships and offers orientation flights in powered and glider aircraft and flight training scholarships; cadets have the opportunity to participate in activities and competitions ranging from local to national levels and are eligible to participate in an International Air Cadet Exchange program;*

*Whereas, CAP also provides aerospace education programs for the membership and the community through publication of classroom materials used by teachers from kindergarten through college. CAP also offers support for workshops at colleges nationwide and sponsors the National Conference on Aviation and Space Education (NCASE)*

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

- 1           SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives  
2 recognizes the important role the Air Force Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol  
3 has held in protecting the safety of the citizens of the United States.  
4           SECTION 2. That the Indiana House of Representatives  
5 acknowledges and extends its appreciation for the many contributions  
6 of the numerous CAP volunteer members through emergency services,  
7 aerospace education, and cadet programs.  
8           SECTION 3. The Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives  
9 is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Colonel  
10 Charles Greenwood, Indiana Wing Commander of the United States



- 1 Civil Air Patrol, and Lieutenant Colonel Ralph Bruns, Indiana State
- 2 Legislative Squadron Commander.

