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The invocation was offered by Pastor Stephen Schwambach, Bethel Temple Community Church, Evansville.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Representative Brian C. Bosma.

The House convened at 1:00 p.m. with Speaker B. Patrick Bauer in the Chair.

The Speaker ordered the roll of the House to be called:

Austin	Kersey
Avery	Klinker
Bardon	Knollman
Barnes	Koch
Bartlett	L. Lawson
Battles	Lehe
Behning	Lehman
Bell	Leonard
Bischoff	Lutz
Blanton	McClain
Borders	Messmer
Borror	Michael
Bosma	Moseley
C. Brown	Moses
T. Brown	Murphy
Burton	Neese
Candelaria Reardon	Niezgodski
Cheatham	Noe
Cherry	Oxley
Clements	Pearson
Clere	Pelath
Crawford	Pflum
Crouch	Pierce
Culver	Pond
Davis	Porter
Day	Pryor
DeLaney	Reske
Dembowski	Richardson
Dermody	Riecken
Dobis	Robertson
Dodge	Ruppel
Duncan	Saunders
Dvorak	M. Smith
Eberhart	V. Smith
Espich	Soliday
Foley	Stemler
Friend	Steuerwald
Frizzell	Stevenson
Fry	Stilwell
GiaQuinta	Sullivan
Goodin	Summers
Grubb	Thompson
Gutwein	Tincher
Harris	Torr ☐
Herrell	Truitt
Hinkle	Turner

Tyler
VanDenburgh
VanHaaften
Walorski

Welch
Wolkins
Yarde
Mr. Speaker

Roll Call 336: 99 present; 1 excused. The Speaker announced a quorum in attendance. [NOTE: ☐ indicates those who were excused.]

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that when we do adjourn, we adjourn until Thursday, March 19, 2009, at 10:00 a.m.

MICHAEL

The motion was adopted by a constitutional majority.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed House Concurrent Resolution 51 and the same is herewith returned to the House.

JENNIFER L. MERTZ
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed Senate Concurrent Resolutions 5, 19, and 20 and the same are herewith transmitted to the House for further action.

JENNIFER L. MERTZ
Principal Secretary of the Senate

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure, to which was referred House Resolution 41, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said resolution do pass.

GIA QUINTA, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 10, nays 0.

Report adopted.

RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING

House Concurrent Resolution 41

The Speaker handed down on its passage House Resolution 41, authored by Representative Moses.

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to urge utilities to extend the moratorium on disconnections for low income residents until May 1, 2009, to allow time for the federal government to distribute stimulus funds to assist low income persons with residential utility payments.

The resolution was read a second time and adopted by voice vote.

RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING**House Concurrent Resolution 52**

Representative Tyler introduced House Concurrent Resolution 52:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating the Muncie Southside High School marching band.

Whereas, The Muncie Southside High School "Spirit of the South" marching band is no stranger to the victory podium at the Indiana State Fair Band Day competition;

Whereas, Since 2000, Southside High School has won six Indiana State Fair Band Day championships—2000, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2006, and 2008;

Whereas, In the years the band did not win, the "Spirit of the South" placed second;

Whereas, To prepare for the State Fair Band Day contest, Southside competes in five contests sponsored by the Central Indiana Track Show Association and, since 2000, has placed first over 30 times in these contests;

Whereas, In addition to the marching band, the concert bands have also enjoyed success over the last ten years, achieving ten Gold ratings at Indiana State School Music Association festivals;

Whereas, The Southside marching band is directed by Joe Polo, who took over the band in 2006;

Whereas, Before the arrival of Mr. Polo, the band was directed by Chuck Reynolds, who still plays an active role with the band during the summer months; and

Whereas, It is fitting that the accomplishments of the Muncie Southside High School marching band be given additional recognition: Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the Muncie Southside High School "Spirit of the South" marching band for this year's victory at the Indiana State Fair Band Day and wishes the band members continued success in all their future endeavors.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the band members; Band Director Joe Polo; staff members Chuck Reynolds, Rhonda Reynolds, and Sean Sumwalt; Principal Rebecca M. Thompson; and Superintendent Dr. Eric King.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Errington.

The Speaker yielded the gavel to the Deputy Speaker Pro Tempore, Representative E. Harris.

House Concurrent Resolution 53

Representatives Pierce and Murphy introduced House Concurrent Resolution 53:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the hard work of the volunteers for Friends of the Indiana State Archives.

Whereas, The Friends of the Indiana State Archives is a non-profit organization founded in 1990 by citizens concerned with helping the Indiana State Archives fulfill its role as the permanent repository for official government records;

Whereas, Forty-three Friends of the Indiana State Archives

volunteers and a group of students from IUPUI logged a record 6,199.25 hours in 2008;

Whereas, The Friends of the Indiana State Archives volunteers have logged a total of 40,149.5 hours since the program began, constituting a savings of \$703,018.00 to Indiana taxpayers; and

Whereas, The State Archives volunteers are recognized for their extraordinary contributions to the Indiana State Archives, having preserved priceless historical records, improved public access to these records, participated in public outreach programs, and raised public awareness of the Indiana State Archives: Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognize and give thanks to the Friends of the Indiana State Archives volunteers for their dedication and hours of service.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the Indiana House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to each of the volunteers.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Merritt.

House Concurrent Resolution 54

Representatives Richardson, Torr, Bosma, and Austin introduced House Concurrent Resolution 54:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring teacher Jill Baisinger and her Hamilton Southeastern High School government class on their victory in the "We the People ... The Citizen and the Constitution" state competition.

Whereas, One of the goals of the "We the People ... The Citizen and the Constitution" competition is to "promote civic competence and responsibility among the nation's elementary and secondary students";

Whereas, Since the beginning of the "We the People ..." competition in 1987, more than 28 million students and 90,000 educators have participated, as well as members of Congress, businesses, professions, and community organizations across the nation;

Whereas, The "We the People ..." competition is based on a classroom curriculum that complements the regular school curriculum by providing upper elementary, middle, and high school students with an innovative course of instruction on the history and principles of constitutional democracy in the United States;

Whereas, The "We the People ..." competition was designed to include a wide range of students with varying abilities;

Whereas, Jill Baisinger and the following students from Hamilton Southeastern High School will represent Indiana at the national competition: Kellie Devore-Gogola, Adam Gauthier, Alex Gillham, Caitlin Graovac, John Holt, Alana Kane, Matthew Knafel, Jaclyn Lauer, Matthew Lymberopoulos, Mark Mace, Samuel Morgan, Eric Ogle, Jonathan Sorg, Julia Strzeszkowski, and Mitchell West; and

Whereas, Involvement with the "We the People ..." competition allows students to develop a greater understanding of democratic principles and values and promotes political tolerance, and teachers, such as Jill Baisinger, help to prepare the youth of Indiana for a future that will encourage knowledge of and participation in our democratic system of government: Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates Jill Baisinger and her Hamilton Southeastern High School class on their victory in the "We the People ... the Citizen and the Constitution" state competition and encourages Jill Baisinger to continue to instill in her students a commitment to democratic principles. Good luck to them as they compete in the national competition.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Jill Baisinger and the members of her Hamilton Southeastern High School class.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsors: Senators Kenley and Gard.

House Concurrent Resolution 55

Representatives Hinkle, Bardon, Behning, Pryor, Porter and Turner introduced House Concurrent Resolution 55:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the Ben Davis High School girls basketball team.

Whereas, The number one ranked Ben Davis High School girls basketball team won the Indiana High School Athletic Association's Class 4A girls basketball state championship with a 71-69 victory over South Bend Washington;

Whereas, The championship, held at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, pitted two nationally recognized teams, Ben Davis and South Bend Washington, and the game lived up to all the hype;

Whereas, This year's victory marked the third state championship for Ben Davis, which previously won titles in 2000 and 2001;

Whereas, The championship capped off a perfect 30-0 season, making the Giants the first girls team to win 30 games in a season;

Whereas, The Giants finished their season ranked No. 1 nationally in USA Today, second by Maxpreps.com and RivalsHigh, and second by ESPN RISE;

Whereas, At halftime Ben Davis had a 35-25 lead, and the game remained at about that distance for the next quarter and a half;

Whereas, During the fourth quarter, South Bend Washington picked up the intensity, with Skylar Diggins scoring eight points in the last 55 seconds, tying the game with 45 seconds left;

Whereas, With 1.4 seconds left and seniors Alex Bentley and DeAirra Goss on the bench with five fouls each, Bria Goss fired the game winning basket from near the free throw line;

Whereas, Bria Goss was named the tourney's most valuable player by the Associated Press and was joined on the all-tourney team by DeAirra Goss and Alex Bentley;

Whereas, Head coach Stan Bengé, ranked seventh among active coaches in victories, earned career victory 468; and

Whereas, Special achievements in athletics deserve special recognition: Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the Ben Davis High School girls basketball team on

the occasion of its state championship victory and wishes the team members continued success in all their future endeavors.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the Ben Davis High School girls basketball team, head coach Stan Bengé, assistant coaches Demetrius Dowler, Sara Strahm, and Omega Harrington, principal Joel McKinney, and superintendent Dr. Terry Thompson.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsors: Senators Delph and M. Young.

House Concurrent Resolution 56

Representatives Dodge, GiaQuinta, Tincher, and Hinkle introduced House Concurrent Resolution 56:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Indiana's service clubs.

Whereas, A service club is defined as a "voluntary nonprofit organization where members meet regularly to perform charitable works either by direct hands-on efforts or by raising money for other organizations";

Whereas, The idea of the service club originated in the United States but has spread throughout the world;

Whereas, Lions Club International is the world's largest service club with 1.3 million members in 45,000 clubs in 202 countries and geographic areas;

Whereas, Lions Club International has been recognized for its service to people who are visually impaired or blind, beginning its vision program following a challenge by Helen Keller to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness";

Whereas, Lions Club International is also committed to the youth of the world, improving the environment, building homes for disabled people, supporting diabetes education, conducting hearing programs, and providing disaster relief around the world;

Whereas, Kiwanis is an international organization of volunteers dedicated to "changing the world, one child and one community at a time";

Whereas, Kiwanis members dedicate themselves to changing the world through service to children and communities, such as helping shelter homeless people, feeding hungry people, mentoring disadvantaged people, and caring for sick people;

Whereas, Kiwanis, whose name means "we trade" or "we share our talents", has about 8,000 clubs in 96 countries with more than 260,000 adult members and about 320,000 youth;

Whereas, Optimist International conducts positive service projects aimed at providing help to young people;

Whereas, Optimists believe that by mentoring young people and empowering them to be the best they can, they are continually making this world a better place to live;

Whereas, The mission statement of Optimist International is "by providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in kids";

Whereas, The National Exchange Club is a group of men and women working together to make our communities better places to live through programs of service in Americanism, community service, youth activities, and its national project, the prevention of child abuse;

Whereas, The National Exchange Club helps members develop leadership, networking, and organizational skills that contribute to success in business, family, and personal

endeavors and provides its members with the opportunity to share their time and talents to help others;

Whereas, Founded in Detroit in 1911, the National Exchange Club is made up of nearly 800 clubs and has more than 25,000 members throughout the United States and Puerto Rico;

Whereas, The Rotary Club represents a cross section of the community's business owners, executives, managers, political leaders, and professionals;

Whereas, These are influential people who make decisions and influence policy and have many opportunities for humanitarian service;

Whereas, The Rotary Club works both locally and internationally with service programs that address concerns such as health care, hunger, poverty, illiteracy, and the environment; and

Whereas, Service clubs such as the Lions Club International, Kiwanis, Rotary Club, Optimist International, and the National Exchange Club provide necessary services that help the poor, the young, and the needy of our community build better lives: Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly wishes to acknowledge the many contributions to our state by the service clubs, Lions Club International, Kiwanis, Rotary Club, Optimist International, and the National Exchange Club. These organizations work tirelessly for the less fortunate citizens of Indiana

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to each of these service clubs.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsors: Senators Arnold and Dillon.

House Resolution 42

Representatives Richardson, Pflum, Bosma, Saunders, and Friend introduced House Resolution 42:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION memorializing Bobby Goodwin.

Whereas, Bobby Goodwin, House Republican doorman, passed away March 15, 2009, following heart surgery;

Whereas, Born on March 22, 1939, Bobby had been a fixture at the State House since 2005, and his smiling face added a little happiness to everyone's day;

Whereas, Bobby and his wife Anna were the parents of four children: Kathie, Michael, Gary, and Anthony;

Whereas, During the first Iraq war, all three Goodwin sons served our country at the same time, a fact that made Bobby and Anna extremely proud;

Whereas, Both Bobby and Anna were active in politics; Anna became Henry County Republican Chairman, and Bobby ran for Mayor of New Castle;

Whereas, After retiring from Ford Motor Company, Bobby opened the Goodwin Bail Bond Company;

Whereas, Next to his wife and family, the great love of Bobby's life was his 1966 silver Mustang;

Whereas, Bobby lovingly restored this car, and many of his happiest times were when he was showing the car off on the highways and byways of Indiana; and

Whereas, Bobby Goodwin lead a life of dedication and service to his family, his community, and the citizens of Indiana; we will miss him every day: Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives extends its deepest condolences to Anna Goodwin and her children.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Anna Goodwin, Kathie Whitlow, Michael Goodwin, Gary Goodwin, Anthony Goodwin, and their families.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

House Resolution 43

Representative Dembowski introduced House Resolution 43:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Taylor Kemble for being named one of the top two youth volunteers in Indiana for 2009 in the 14th annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards.

Whereas, Taylor Kemble, an esteemed resident of Knox, Indiana and a student at Knox Community Middle School, has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service by receiving a 2009 Prudential Spirit of Community Award;

Whereas, this prestigious award, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities;

Whereas, Taylor Kemble earned this award by giving generously of her time and energy to: Relay for Life fund-raising events, cleaning a nonprofit organization's building, caring for small children during church services and school PTO meetings, serving as cashier in her school's bookstore, and working in the school library, and

Whereas, The success of the State of Indiana, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Taylor Kemble who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others: Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives hereby congratulates and honors Taylor Kemble as a recipient of a Prudential Spirit of Community Award, recognizes her outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership and community spirit, and extends best wishes for her continued success and happiness.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the Indiana House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Taylor Kemble and her family.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

OTHER BUSINESS ON THE SPEAKER'S TABLE

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed Senate Concurrent Resolution 65 and the same is herewith transmitted to the House for further action.

JENNIFER L. MERTZ
Principal Secretary of the Senate

Senate Concurrent Resolution 19

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 19, sponsored by Representative VanDenburgh:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION commemorating the 175th anniversary of Crown Point, Indiana.

Whereas, On October 31, 1834, Solon Robinson and his family arrived as the first settlers on the rambling plains that would later be known as Crown Point. As the first family of Crown Point, the Robinsons built the pioneer community on family values that allowed the settlement to become the bustling Hub of Lake County;

Whereas, In 1868, Crown Point was founded upon the notions of tolerance, peace and justice. Solon Robinson funded a \$500 project to build the first courthouse, which elevated the fledgling city to county seat. A year after incorporation, construction began on the "Grand Old Lady", a new and more impressive courthouse that still dominates the town square as a symbol of dignity and wisdom in the justice system;

Whereas, The Cobe Cup Car Race, was first held south of the County Courthouse on June 19, 1909. This grueling 25 mile race was the forerunner to the Indianapolis 500. The race's first champion was Louis Chevrolet, who later founded the Chevrolet Motor Company;

Whereas, The Marriage Mill, one of Crown Point's most endearing events, perpetuates the town's romantic heritage and swift approval of marriage licenses by attracting local couples to the courthouse steps each summer during the Homestead Festival to marry or restate their matrimonial vows;

Whereas, In the early hours of March 3, 1934, the notorious John Dillinger escaped from the reportedly "escape-proof" Crown Point Jail by ambushing a sleeping guard with a gun carved from a wooden washboard and stained with black shoe polish. Although Crown Point Jail closed its doors in the 1970's, visitors eager to witness Indiana's part in the story of one of the United States' greatest crooks have reported the long shadow of a sleepy guard walking the cold corridors of the jail's dark underbelly;

Whereas, Those who have strolled the sidewalks of downtown Crown Point can attest that such a venture typically results in a small town reminiscence. Crown Point's impressive historic storefronts line the streets of the town square. A walk through the doors of these stately structures easily conjures up images of an attractive by-gone age; and

Whereas, Mayor of Crown Point David Uran will issue a proclamation and open a time capsule to remember those who laid the first stones of community and tradition that made Crown Point a crowning success for all 175 years; Therefore,

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

SECTION 1: That the General Assembly hereby commemorates the 175th anniversary of the City of Crown Point.

SECTION 2: That the Secretary of the Senate transmit three copies of this resolution to the Mayor of Crown Point David Uran.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 20

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 20, sponsored by Representative Lehe:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION to honor the Holy Name Parish of Cedar Lake on its 150th Anniversary.

Whereas, The Holy Name Parish Catholic Church of Cedar Lake began as a gathering of German immigrants who settled in Hanover Centre, Indiana. Despite several devastating fires throughout its history, the parish, through the determination and fortitude of its members, not only persevered, but has continued to grow in service to the community;

Whereas, In the 1840's there were enough settlers in the Hanover Centre area that a priest began to stop in the community to give mass. The residents gathered at the log home of Matthias and Johanna Geisen for the service;

Whereas, In 1859, Saint Matthias Church became the first parish to be built in Hanover Centre and served the community for seven years until it was destroyed by fire;

Whereas, The people of Hanover Centre worked together and in 1868 completed building a new, single-spired frame church which was named Saint Martin Church. In 1969, the first resident pastor, Reverend Frank Siegelack moved into the first rectory;

Whereas, The church continued to grow and in 1881 a public school building was added to the parish grounds. The school was run by the parish and served the children of Hanover Centre and surrounding communities;

Whereas, In 1911, the congregation began building a new brick church and two-story brick school which was completed in 1913;

Whereas, In 1930, the church suffered another tragedy when the parish building was destroyed by fire. The members continued holding mass in the school until a new basement church was built in 1932;

Whereas, From 1932 to 1980, the School Sisters of Saint Francis from Milwaukee devoted their ministry to the spiritual success of the Holy Name Parish of Cedar Lake;

Whereas, The present Holy Name Parish of Cedar Lake was dedicated on Thanksgiving Day in 1940;

Whereas, Holy Name Parish of Cedar Lake is now a cornerstone of the community where families send their pre-schoolers to begin a proper education, where senior adults are taken to receive living and nutritional assistance, and where any person can escape to the parish chapel for a brief respite from a hectic day; and

Whereas, The Holy Name Parish's continued commitment to building a community inclusive of this changing population is evidenced by the implementation of the RENEW 2000 and Generations of Faith programs in the fall of 2004; Therefore,

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

SECTION 1: That the Indiana General Assembly honors Holy Name Parish of Cedar Lake on its 150th anniversary.

SECTION 2: The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Reverend Edward Tlucek of Holy Name Parish of Cedar Lake.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 47

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 47, sponsored by Representative Thompson:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Naomi Mynatt for her volunteer service to the Kingsway Community Care Center.

Whereas, Naomi Mynatt began volunteering at the Kingsway Community Care Center (KCCC) when the doors opened in June, 2005 and has since logged over 4,000 volunteer hours;

Whereas, Naomi, a licensed practical nurse (LPN), has taken on an integral role in the clinic, performing tasks of the Clinical Services Manager, filling the role of shift nurse, and filling in for nursing shifts when a volunteer could not fulfill their responsibilities;

Whereas, An essential asset to KCCC, Naomi created the system for patient records, follows up on prescriptions, calls volunteers to remind them of their shift commitments, and schedules and confirms patient appointments;

Whereas, In addition to nursing, Naomi also assists with fund-raising, maintaining volunteer recruitment, training and scheduling, organizing and assisting with dental operations with no formal training and doing whatever else is necessary for the smooth operation of KCCC. She has even been seen scrubbing exam room floors, taking facility laundry home, vacuuming the carpet, and sterilizing instruments;

Whereas, KCCC has seen thousands of patients since its opening in 2005 and Naomi has had contact with almost every single one. KCCC provides primary medical care and strives to be a medical home for its patients. As such, KCCC, Naomi, and the rest of the staff have regular contact with many patients over a period of time;

Whereas, Beyond providing practical medical assistance to her patients, Naomi offers spiritual support and encouragement to all who confide in her. When appropriate, Naomi and KCCC will attempt to connect patients with other resources such as Sheltering Wings, a domestic shelter in Hendricks County. Naomi is also generous financially, donating to KCCC and directly to patients in need;

Whereas, In addition to her dedication to the KCCC, Naomi has dedicated her life to helping and selflessly serving others through her career as a nurse and through her missionary work in Indonesia, Haiti, Costa Rica, Afghanistan, and Mexico;

Whereas, Her first trip to Indonesia was a seven year mission from 1993 to 2000. Three years later she returned, and served as teacher, librarian, and school nurse for Mt. View International Christian School in Indonesia from June, 2003 to February, 2005. Naomi has also been to Haiti twice, and taken a few other short term mission trips to Costa Rica and Afghanistan. Most recently she spent time working in Mexico in July, 2008;

Whereas, An active member in her church, Kingsway Christian Church, Naomi serves on the mission council for Steven Ministry. Naomi's dedication to her church and faith in the Lord have afforded her the strength to give so generously of herself with a gentle and humble spirit;

Whereas, Naomi has been a nurse for almost forty years. In the early 1970s she was working as a cook for Hendricks Regional Health when they offered her a scholarship to nursing school. Naomi turns eighty on March 18, and is extremely proud of her family of eight children, eight grandchildren, and nineteen great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Naomi was recognized by the Governor of the State of Indiana on March 25, 2008 with a Governor's Award for Volunteer Service for faith-based volunteerism and deserves to be commended for her devotion to the people and the community which she serves: Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly honors Naomi Mynatt for her volunteer service to the Kingsway Community Care Center.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to John Mollaun, Executive Director of the Kingsway Care Center; and Naomi Mynatt.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 60

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 60, sponsored by Representatives Klinker and Koch:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating the Indiana Community Arts Leadership Award Recipients for 2009.

Whereas, The Indiana Coalition for the Arts represents hundreds of individuals, nonprofit organizations, and arts-related businesses from all over the State of Indiana;

Whereas, The arts promote local economic activity through arts-related spending and cultural tourism. Indiana is home to 8,400 arts-related businesses that employ 54,000 Hoosiers and generate over one billion dollars in local economic activity;

Whereas, The Indiana Community Arts Leadership Award honors individuals who, through their donations of time, resources or leadership, have been instrumental in creating, promoting, or developing local arts activities in their communities;

Whereas, This year's Community Arts Leadership Award recipients include: Outstanding Arts Administrator, presented to John Cain of Crown Point; Outstanding Arts Advocate, presented to Representative Sheila Klinker of Lafayette; Outstanding Arts Educator, presented to Patti Moore of Freelandville; and Outstanding Arts Volunteer Leader, presented to Jeanne Mirro of Fort Wayne; and

Whereas, This year's recipients are all outstanding citizens who commit their time and talents to make a difference in their communities. Their efforts to enrich the cultural and artistic landscape of Indiana inspire us and are worthy of recognition: Therefore,

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

SECTION 1: That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the Indiana Community Arts Leadership Award Recipients for 2009.

SECTION 2: The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Board of Directors of the Indiana Coalition for the Arts, and the recipients of the Indiana Community Arts Leadership Award.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 65

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 65, sponsored by Representatives Bischoff, Duncan, and Knollman:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the importance of farms and agribusinesses to the Indiana and national economies.

Whereas, The basis of the American economy and culture was rooted in an agrarian society, an important legacy for Americans to remember. Farms and agribusinesses continue to contribute significantly to state and national tax bases;

Whereas, March fifteenth to the twenty-first is National Agriculture Week reminding citizens across the country of the importance of our agricultural heritage and its current influence on our daily lives;

Whereas, Indiana has a rich agricultural history rooted not only in the soil, but in its people. Currently, Indiana is home to almost sixty one thousand farms encompassing over fourteen million acres;

Whereas, More than sixteen percent of Indiana's workforce is connected to agriculture. Currently 573,874 Hoosiers are employed by the farm, food, or forestry industries;

Whereas, Indiana agricultural producers generated more than eight billion dollars in agricultural receipts from a wide variety of commodities including field crops, horticulture, animal agriculture, and timber; and

Whereas, As our state and national population continues to increase, it is vital to our cultural survival to recognize and remember the important role agriculture plays in sustaining our society and way of life: Therefore:

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

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly hereby recognizes the importance of agriculture in the Indiana and national economies for its remarkable ability in providing food, fibers, pharmaceuticals, and energy to meet the basic human needs of our society.

SECTION 2. That the Indiana General Assembly hereby recognizes the efforts of the men and women of Indiana agriculture for their dedication and productivity towards a prosperous state.

SECTION 3. That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to distribute a copy of this resolution to Indiana Lieutenant Governor Becky Skillman, Center for Agricultural Science and Heritage, Indiana Agricultural Statistics, Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Indiana Beef Cattle Association, Indiana Beekeepers Association, Indiana Corn Growers Association, Indiana 4-H Foundation, Indiana FFA Organization, Indiana Farm Bureau, Inc., Indiana Horse Council, Inc., Indiana Pork Producers Association, Indiana Sheep Association, Indiana Soybean Board, Indiana State Board of Animal Health, Indiana State Department of Agriculture, Indiana State Poultry Association, Indiana Veterinary Medical Association, Indiana Wine Grape Council, Milk Promotion Services of Indiana (American Dairymen Association of Indiana), Purdue University College of Agriculture, Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, USDA Farm Service Agency, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, and USDA Rural Development.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, to which was referred Engrossed Senate Bill 271, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 0.

PFLUM, Chair

Report adopted.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred Engrossed Senate Bill 388, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: yeas 16, nays 0.

AVERY, Acting Chair

Report adopted.

Representative Wolkins was excused for the rest of the day.

ENGROSSED SENATE BILLS ON THIRD READING

Engrossed Senate Bill 57

Representative Porter called down Engrossed Senate Bill 57 for third reading:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

The bill was read a third time by sections and placed upon its passage. The question was, Shall the bill pass?

Roll Call 337: yeas 97, nays 0. The bill was declared passed. The question was, Shall the title of the bill remain the title of the act? There being no objection, it was so ordered. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the bill.

Engrossed Senate Bill 136

Representative Battles called down Engrossed Senate Bill 136 for third reading:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.

The bill was read a third time by sections and placed upon its passage. The question was, Shall the bill pass?

Roll Call 338: yeas 80, nays 17. The bill was declared passed. The question was, Shall the title of the bill remain the title of the act? There being no objection, it was so ordered. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the bill.

Engrossed Senate Bill 270

Representative Tincher called down Engrossed Senate Bill 270 for third reading:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

The bill was read a third time by sections and placed upon its passage. The question was, Shall the bill pass?

Roll Call 339: yeas 95, nays 0. The bill was declared passed. The question was, Shall the title of the bill remain the title of the act? There being no objection, it was so ordered. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the bill.

Pursuant to House Rule 60, committee meetings were announced.

On the motion of Representative Steuerwald, the House adjourned at 2:45 p.m., this seventeenth day of March, 2009, until Thursday, March 19, 2009, at 10:00 a.m.

B. PATRICK BAUER

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives