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

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*Introduced by: Bauer, Kromkowski, Fry, Dvorak, Mangus*

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A RESOLUTION honoring Jack Colwell on the occasion of his retirement from the South Bend Tribune.

*Whereas, Jack Colwell is retiring from the South Bend Tribune, bringing to an end a distinguished career as a political writer and columnist that has spanned more than 30 years;*

*Whereas, Jack has been the Tribune's political writer since 1964 and has written weekly political columns since 1969;*

*Whereas, Before coming to the Tribune, Jack worked at the Champaign-Urbana Courier and as editor for the Fifth Army newspaper;*

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*Whereas, In 2000, Jack was inducted into the Indiana Journalism Hall of Fame as one of the top journalists who have made their career in or hail from Indiana;*

*Whereas, As a political writer, Jack has covered 20 national political conventions, election campaigns at the local, state, and national levels, sessions of the General Assembly, and National Governors' Association conferences;*

*Whereas, Jack has won numerous writing awards from the Hoosier State Press Association and the Indiana Associated Press Managing Editors;*

*Whereas, In addition to his duties at the Tribune, Jack has been the host of WNIT's public affairs programs since 1988;*

*Whereas, Although these programs have gone through various name changes over the years, the purpose has always been to provide the viewers in Northern Indiana and Southwestern Michigan a chance to meet the people elected to both state and federal offices and hear about the issues that affect their community;*

*Whereas, In his remarks at his induction into the Indiana Journalism Hall of Fame, Jack credited two people as being the most influential in his choice of a career - Bob Burns, his high school journalism teacher, and John J. Powers, the Tribune's retired managing editor;*

*Whereas, It was John J. Powers who assigned Jack his first big story, the demise of the Studebaker company in Northern Indiana, and it was Bob Burns who recruited Jack as sports editor for his high school newspaper and began a love of journalism that never died; and*

*Whereas, Jack's political columns are clear and interesting, and the subject matter is reported accurately and without bias, making him a role model for all aspiring reporters: Therefore,*

*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 wishes to



1 acknowledge the numerous contributions and the hours of pleasure that  
2 Jack Colwell has given to the citizens of the state of Indiana and to  
3 wish him well in retirement.

4 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
5 Representative transmit a copy of this resolution to Jack Colwell and  
6 his family and the editor of the South Bend Tribune.

