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

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*Introduced by: Denbo*

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A RESOLUTION congratulating the Paoli High School Marching Band.

*Whereas, The talent, hard work, and dedication of the student members, adult staff, and volunteers of the Paoli High School Marching Band have produced a high school marching band that has been able to place first in the Indiana State School Music Association (ISSMA) state championship 15 times;*

*Whereas, No other school in the history of the ISSMA has ever won 15 state championships;*

*Whereas, The Paoli High School Marching Band has qualified for the state finals 23 of the last 24 years, has finished*

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*as "runner up" five times, and has won the state championship 15 times in the last 23 years, including 12 of the last 15;*

*Whereas, The senior members of the Paoli Marching Band contributed superior leadership, dedication, and patience and have, by their example, shown the way for the other members of this outstanding program to perform like champions;*

*Whereas, The remarkable achievements of the Pride of Paoli Marching Band were made possible by the inspired leadership of band directors Bill and Gayle Laughlin, who have won 12 state championships together;*

*Whereas, The band has also been aided in its outstanding accomplishments by other staff, the organizational backing of the entire administration of the Paoli Community Schools, and the generous volunteer support provided by the parents, other relatives, and friends of these championship students; and*

*Whereas, The discipline, efforts, and talents developed and achieved by the members of this program will remain valuable enhancements to the quality of their lives: 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  
2 congratulates the members, staff, and volunteers of the Paoli High  
3 School Marching Band on the occasion of the band's 15th ISSMA state  
4 championship and wishes them well in their future endeavors.

5           SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
6 Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the members  
7 of the Paoli High School Band, Director Bill Laughlin, Assistant  
8 Director Gayle Laughlin, and Principal Jerry Stroud.

