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**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Stan Jones.

Smith V

_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



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Whereas, Stan Jones has been the Commissioner of the Indiana Commission for Higher Education since 1995, a position he will soon relinquish;

Whereas, However, Stan has been committed to education issues since 1974, when he was elected to the Indiana House of Representatives at the age of 24, one of the youngest representatives elected to serve in the Indiana House of Representatives;

Whereas, As a member of both the House Education and State Budget committees, Stan developed an expertise in higher education and higher education finance;

Whereas, Stan rose through the ranks in the House quickly to become the ranking member of the powerful Ways and Means Committee and Democratic Floor Leader;

Whereas, Before becoming Commissioner of the Indiana Commission for Higher Education, Stan served as the education adviser and director of policy and legislative affairs for the Bayh administration and is credited with creating several landmark education policy initiatives including the Twenty-first Century Scholars Program and led the efforts to restructure Indiana's Workforce Development program and to increase the retention of students in higher education;



Whereas, As Commissioner, Stan has worked on initiatives to increase adult participation in higher education and, working with the Indiana Department of Education and the Governor's office through Indiana's Education Roundtable, has worked to increase the participation and preparation of students pursuing higher education;

Whereas, One of Stan's last projects as Commissioner was the development and implementation of "Reaching Higher", which focused on significantly increasing college graduation rates through the areas of credit transfer, concentration on college completion, and working with K-12 educators to develop assessments that help to determine if a student is ready for college course work; and

Whereas, Stan Jones's name is synonymous with the important education policy issues throughout the state of Indiana: Therefore,

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

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates Stan
2 Jones on the occasion of his beginning in a new position and thanks
3 him for his efforts on behalf of the students of our state, whether they
4 be children or adults.

5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
6 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Stan Jones.

