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**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Rafat Abonour.

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Whereas, Dr. Rafat Abonour is the Associate Dean of Clinical Research and the Director of the Myeloma and Plasma Cell Diseases Program at Indiana University School of Medicine;

Whereas, Dr. Abonour is an outstanding physician who is so much more to his seriously ill patients;

Whereas, Dr. Abonour fights the battle against cancer alongside his patients and their families, often referring to them as "soldiers";

Whereas, Dr. Abonour believes strongly in treating the patient and not simply the disease;

Whereas, Dr. Abonour has a unique way of making each patient feel the care and compassion that all people deserve, especially in times of great illness;

Whereas, In 2005, Dr. Abonour, a group of health care professionals, and patients established the "Miles for Myeloma" event to help raise money for myeloma research;

Whereas, Each year Dr. Abonour donates his time and effort by running and cycling to various Indiana cities that represent places where patients travel from to receive care in Indianapolis;



Whereas, The effort by Dr. Abonour and the group of patients and caregivers has generated over one million dollars for myeloma research; and

Whereas, Dr. Abonour is more than a doctor; he is a patient advocate who approaches the care of each patient as an individual, addressing the person and not just the disease: 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 acknowledges the
- 2 many contributions made by Dr. Rafat Abonour and thanks him for the
- 3 dedication, kindness, and compassion that he displays toward his
- 4 patients and their families.
- 5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 6 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Dr. Rafat
- 7 Abonour.

