

**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. ____**

Introduced by: Candelaria Reardon

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to recognize Aida McCammon on the occasion of her retirement.

Whereas, Aida McCammon has dedicated more than twenty-five years of service to the Latino communities of Indiana, working in particular for equal access to health care, education and civic life for Latino immigrants; and,

Whereas, educated at universities in Peru and Rome, Ms. McCammon's career in Indiana began at the Hispanic Center in Indianapolis, where she took the job of Programs Manager in 1986; and,

Whereas, in 1995, Ms. McCammon observed a lack of interpreters in doctors' offices and hospitals in Marion County, and tried to meet that need by founding the Hispanic Health Project with Wishard Health Services, a project to provide training and instruction for interpreters, medical workers, and members of Latino communities, which was held up as a model



*program by the US Department of Health and Human Services;
and,*

Whereas, in 2001, wanting to broaden her engagement with the Latino communities of Indiana, Ms. McCammon co-founded the Indiana Latino Institute, an organization dedicated to empowering and mobilizing grassroots efforts among Latinos in support of healthy lifestyles and access to healthcare, as well supporting education in immigrant communities through scholarships and internships; and,

Whereas, beyond the founding and managing of her own projects, Ms. McCammon has devoted much of her time to the work of other charitable projects, serving on the boards of the Hispanic Education Center, the National Latino Council on Alcohol and Tobacco, and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, among others; and,

Whereas, Ms. McCammon has already been recognized and honored by former Indianapolis mayor Bart Peterson and former Indianapolis Congresswoman Julia Carson: 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 officially honors Aida McCammon for her dedication to minority and immigrant communities in Indiana, thanks her for her years of service to her neighbors, congratulates her on her retirement.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House transmit a copy of this resolution to Aida McCammon.

