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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. ____**

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A RESOLUTION honoring Wayman Hoots.

Whereas, Wayman Hoots is truly an American war hero;

Whereas, During World War II, Wayman Hoots, on separate occasions, was shot in the neck by a sniper, permanently lost hearing in one ear when a bomb exploded, was placed before a German firing squad, nearly starved to death, and was held captive for 27 months as a prisoner of war;

Whereas, Born and raised near Albany, Kentucky, Wayman Hoots enlisted in the Army at age 19, telling the officials he was two years older than he was;

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Whereas, After training at Fort Knox, Wayman Hoots served as an engineer and operated a truck;

Whereas, Wayman Hoots' tour of duty took him to Ireland, England, and North Africa;

Whereas, After he was rescued from the prisoner of war camp, Wayman Hoots was sent to Miami, Florida, to recover and be discharged;

Whereas, Wayman hitchhiked to Kentucky where he was reunited with his wife Mary and met his 2 1/2 year old daughter Nell;

Whereas, Within a year, Wayman and Mary Hoots moved to New Castle, Indiana, where he got a job with Ingersoll Steel, a job he held for 30 years;

Whereas, Even though Wayman Hoots endured unimaginable pain and suffering, he would gladly fight for his country again to ensure freedom for us all; and

Whereas, Wayman Hoots stands tall among American heroes as a shining example of someone whose love of country is so great as to outshine all things: 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 expresses
2 its deepest gratitude to Wayman Hoots for his service and sacrifice for
3 his country.

4 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
5 Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to Wayman Hoots
6 and his family.

