

**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating Hoosier Boys State on the occasion of its 75th anniversary.

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Whereas, Hoosier Boys State is a unique program intended to educate young men in the principles and practices of Indiana's city, county and state governments;

Whereas, The Indiana Department of the American Legion, in concert with other Legion departments across the country, founded Indiana's Boys State program in 1937 partly in an effort to counter the pro-Communist propaganda of the so-called Young Pioneers Camps, holding its first session in the field house of Butler University, currently hosted by Trine University in Angola;

Whereas, The program's course of instruction is unlike any classroom experience, instead requiring students to actively participate in a simulation of Indiana's city, county and state governments, wherein students run for office and engage in negotiation and cooperation to write and enforce legislation; and,

Whereas, The program has already educated more than 60,000 young Hoosier men, many of whom later went on to prominent careers in Indiana business and politics, including Governor Mitch Daniels, former Governor Frank O'Bannon, former Senator Birch Bayh, Senator Richard Lugar, former

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Congressman Phil Sharp, former Congressman Lee Hamilton, former Speaker of the House Paul Mannweiler, Speaker of the House Brian Bosma, former Secretary of State Edward Simcox, former Secretary of State Joseph Hogsett, Chief Justice of the Indiana Supreme Court Randall Shepard, Associate Justice Brent Dickson, Brian Lamb, founder and president of C-SPAN, Terry Lester, television actor, and Dr. Joseph Allen, former NASA astronaut: 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
2 Hoosier Boys State on the occasion of its 75th anniversary, honors its
3 many years of service in educating young Hoosier men on the
4 principles and practices of democratic government, and thanks its staff
5 and sponsors for their dedication to the betterment of their communities
6 and the state of Indiana.
7 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
8 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the leadership of
9 Hoosier Boys State.

