

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing the 75th anniversary of Grace College and Theological Seminary in Winona Lake, Indiana.

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SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing the 75th
2 anniversary of Grace College and Theological Seminary in
3 Winona Lake, Indiana.

4 *Whereas, In June of 1937, a new Christian institution,*
5 *known as Grace Theological Seminary, was chartered as a*
6 *graduate only learning community dedicated to teaching,*
7 *training, and nurturing leaders for local and global ministry;*
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9 *Whereas, In 1948, Grace Theological Seminary by*
10 *establishing the undergraduate college, changed the*
11 *institutional name to Grace College and Seminary and pursued*
12 *the mission of applying biblical values in strengthening*
13 *character, sharpening competence, and preparing for service;*

14 *Whereas, Grace College and Seminary offers 7 associate*
15 *degrees; 59 baccalaureate degrees; 11 master degrees; 2*
16 *doctorate degrees, as well as basic and certificate education*
17 *programs, and serves a total of 2,700 students, more than half*
18 *of whom are Indiana residents;*

19 *Whereas, Grace has implemented two important, more*
20 *affordable education options for students, one reducing cost by*

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1 *25% through one of the nation's first successful three-year*
2 *accelerated degree options in all baccalaureate programs, and*
3 *the other, a \$7,800 per year associate degree program for city*
4 *youth, now available in Fort Wayne and Indianapolis, and*
5 *elsewhere soon;*

6 *Whereas, Generations of talented students have since*
7 *joined peers; and in this 75th anniversary year they have come*
8 *from 41 states and in 27 countries in attaining an affordable*
9 *and quality higher education;*

10 *Whereas, The 2012 Grace graduates of the accounting*
11 *program ranked 10th out of 793 institutions nationwide for the*
12 *first-time pass rate on the Certified Public Accountant exam;*
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14 *Whereas, Grace has established educational partnerships*
15 *in nursing with Bethel College and in engineering with Trine*
16 *University, and has study opportunities in Europe, South*
17 *America, and Asia, and each year sends student service teams*
18 *to more than 15 countries;*

19 *Whereas, The institution offers specialized programs such*
20 *as its graduate Korean Studies Program, graduate Orthopedic*
21 *Regulatory, Clinical Affairs, and requires all undergraduate*
22 *students to complete twelve semester hours of applied studies,*
23 *requiring real world experience in order to graduate;*

24 *Whereas, Grace is engaged in regional economic*
25 *development through its School of Business programs in*
26 *entrepreneurial education, business development, incubation*
27 *development, collaboration with OrthoWorx, Kosciusko*
28 *Economic Development Corporation, Kosciusko-Warsaw*
29 *Chamber of Commerce, City of Warsaw, Town of Winona Lake,*
30 *and educational service to the orthopedic cluster in north*
31 *central Indiana;*

32 *Whereas, Throughout its history, Grace College and*
33 *Theological Seminary's dedicated faculty members, who are*
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1 *devoted teachers and active in scholarship, encounter students*
2 *in intentionally small settings which promote intellectual rigor*
3 *and personal transformation;*
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5 *Whereas, Grace College and Theological Seminary*
6 *collaborates with its community and region to restore*
7 *historical landmarks such as Westminster Hall and Mount*
8 *Memorial Hall, preserve historical collections, and provide*
9 *community gathering spaces such as the Orthopaedic Capital*
10 *Center that benefit the greater Winona Lake and Warsaw*
11 *community by attracting athletic, civic, and entertainment*
12 *events; and*
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14 *Whereas, Grace College and Theological Seminary alumni*
15 *contribute as insightful citizens and leaders in their work and*
16 *service, not only through its 6,500 Indiana alumni, but also*
17 *across the United States and within all seven continents:*
18 *Therefore,*

19 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
20 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

21 SECTION 1. The Indiana General Assembly recognizes Grace
22 College and Theological Seminary on its 75th anniversary.

23 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
24 transmit a copy of this Resolution to Dr. Ronald Manahan, President of
25 Grace College and Seminary.

