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**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. 9**

DIGEST OF RESOLUTION

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January 12, 2022, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.

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2 assembly to enact legislation for screening for cytomegalovirus
3 (CMV) in all newborns.

4 *Whereas, The United States Centers for Disease Control
5 and Prevention has found:*

6 *CMV is the most common infectious cause of birth defects in
7 the United States;*

8 *Nearly one in three children are already infected with CMV
9 by five years of age;*

10 *About one out of every two hundred infants is born with
11 congenital CMV;*

12 *About one in five babies born with congenital CMV will suffer
13 long term health problems, such as hearing loss, vision loss,
14 intellectual disability, microcephaly, lack of coordination or
15 weakness, or seizures; and*

16 *Fifteen percent of babies with congenital CMV will not have
17 symptoms at birth but will later develop hearing loss;*

18 *Whereas, In 2011, the United States Congress passed a
19 resolution designating June as National Cytomegalovirus
20 Awareness Month, thus illustrating the importance of raising
21 awareness of CMV;*

22 *Whereas, Antiviral medications may improve hearing and
23 developmental outcomes in babies with congenital CMV; and*

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1 *Whereas, Diagnosis, treatment, and monitoring of children*
2 *with congenital CMV can help improve their health outcomes:*
3 *Therefore,*

4 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives*
5 *of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,*
6 *the Senate concurring:*

7 SECTION 1. That the general assembly is urged to enact
8 legislation for CMV screening in all newborns.

9 SECTION 2. That the Clerk of the House of Representatives
10 shall transmit copies of this resolution to the office of State
11 Representative Chris Campbell for distribution.

