

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No.

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing Monroe Gray, Jr.

Pryor, Harris, Jackson, Pack, Bartlett, Hatcher, Porter, Shackleford, Smith V, Summers

_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



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1 2	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing Monroe Gray, Jr.
3	Whereas, Monroe Gray, Jr., has the distinguished record of
4	being the longest serving city-county councillor for the City of
5	Indianapolis;
6	Whereas, He was first elected as the councillor for District 8
7	in 1992 and served for 32 years and across five different
8	mayoral administrations;
9	Whereas, Along with being a councillor, he served in the U.S.
10	Army from 1965 to 1967 and was a member of the Indianapolis
11	Fire Department (IFD) for 35 years after first being hired in
12	October of 1972;
13	Whereas, During his IFD career, he first worked as an
14	engineer, was promoted to lieutenant, then captain, and ended
15	his career as division chief working at the IFD headquarters,
16	retiring in 2007;
17	Whereas, Monroe Gray, Jr., helped create the Indianapolis
18	Black Firefighters' Association (IBFA), which seeks to develop
19	IFD career opportunities representing inclusiveness, equality,
20	and diversity within the department, and he was elected as its
21	first president, serving for several years;
22	Whereas, Monroe Gray, Jr., was a deeply involved member
23	of the community, serving as a member or on the boards of
24	many organizations such as the Marion County Democratic
25	Club, Washington Township Democratic Club, Pike Township



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1	Democratic Club, United Northwest Development Association
2	Flanner House, Planners Neighborhood Organization
3	Concerned Clergy of Indianapolis, Local 416 Internationa
4	Firefighters, and Tillman H. Harpole American Legion Pos
5	No. 249;
6	Whereas, He was a member of organizations such as 100
7	Black Men of Indianapolis, Marion County Black Elected
8	Officials, and the Glenn Howard Junior Golf Program;
9	Whereas, He is an avid golfer and maintains the skill to play
10	competively;
11	Whereas, He is married to his wife, Teresa Cross Gray, with
12	whom he has two children, Kevin and Courtney, and three
13	grandchildren, Jordan, Julian, and Victoria;
14	Whereas, In 2019, Fire Station No. 31 was renamed the
15	"Monroe Gray, Jr. IBFA Headquarters" in his honor; and
16	Whereas, Monroe Gray, Jr., has been a strong advocate for
17	his community and an outspoken leader to ensure equality and
18	justice: Therefore,
19	Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
20	of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
21	the Senate concurring:
22	SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes
23	Monroe Gray, Jr., for serving his community of District 8 or
24	the Indianapolis City-County Council for 32 years.
25	SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
26	Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to State
27	Representative Cherrish Pryor for distribution.

