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**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the Harvest Homecoming Festival on the occasion of its 50th year.

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2 Homecoming Festival on the occasion of its 50th year.

3 *Whereas, In 1968, a "Pumpkin Festival" was held as a*
4 *civic effort by the tourism bureau of the New Albany*
5 *Chamber of Commerce;*

6 *Whereas, Among the New Albany Chamber of Commerce*
7 *members who were involved in planning this first Pumpkin*
8 *Festival were Cora Jacobs, Henry Ramsier, William Mook,*
9 *and Paul Lipps;*

10 *Whereas, Seeing the possibility of making this Pumpkin*
11 *Festival into an event to promote tourism in New Albany, the*
12 *Chamber members began planning for the event to be held*
13 *the following year;*

14 *Whereas, A contest was held to select a name for the*
15 *festival, and "Harvest Homecoming" was chosen;*

16 *Whereas, The festival was created as a means of "bringing*
17 *the people of Southern Indiana together to share in its wealth*
18 *of talent, historic background and beauty";*

19 *Whereas, Today, Harvest Homecoming attracts over*
20 *600,000 people to New Albany and runs more than a week;*

21 *Whereas, Harvest Homecoming features a parade and*
22 *numerous other official events and culminates in four "booth*
23 *days" showcasing local businesses, civic groups, churches,*



1 *and other community organizations;*

2 *Whereas, Harvest Homecoming is one of the largest*
3 *festivals in Indiana;*

4 *Whereas, Harvest Homecoming is a family oriented festival*
5 *that unites the community in a spirit of fun and fellowship*
6 *and is committed to continuous improvement; and*

7 *Whereas, Honored by the Library of Congress Bicentennial*
8 *Local Legacies Project in 2000, Harvest Homecoming has*
9 *been consistently growing for 50 years, giving people from*
10 *throughout the state of Indiana and the nation a taste of*
11 *Southern Indiana hospitality: Therefore,*

12 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives*
13 *of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,*
14 *the Senate concurring:*

15 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates
16 Harvest Homecoming on its success and thanks the volunteers who
17 have worked so diligently to make it a success.

18 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
19 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Harvest
20 Homecoming, Inc.

