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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing Hoosier
2 Direct Support Professionals.

3 *Whereas, More than 26,000 Hoosiers work in Indiana as*
4 *Direct Support Professionals (DSPs), providing exemplary*
5 *personal and critical support and services to thousands of*
6 *people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD);*

7 *Whereas, DSPs provide individualized supports, including*
8 *navigating daily life, employment, transportation, finances,*
9 *medical appointments, and hobbies in order to help people with*
10 *I/DD learn or retain their independence, become involved in*
11 *their local communities, and hopefully lead a high quality life*
12 *with family and friends;*

13 *Whereas, Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, DSPs have*
14 *worked tirelessly every day to ensure the health and safety of*
15 *people with I/DD. As many of the services provided by a DSP*
16 *cannot be done at a social distance of six feet, some DSPs*
17 *chose to move into the homes of the people they provide care*
18 *for to minimize risks of the virus. DSPs have exemplified the*
19 *definition of an essential worker;*

20 *Whereas, There is currently a critical shortage of DSPs in*
21 *Indiana, and the need for these services is projected to increase*
22 *over the next decade; and*

23 *Whereas, Efforts must be made to grow the DSP workforce,*
24 *increase retention, and reduce turnover: Therefore,*



1 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives*
2 *of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,*
3 *the Senate concurring:*

4 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes
5 Hoosier Direct Support Professionals for their service across the
6 state of the Indiana.

7 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
8 Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to the
9 office of State Representative Edward D. Clere.

