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DIGEST OF RESOLUTION

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September 22, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.

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1           A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION terminating the public  
2 health emergency first declared on March 6, 2020, in Executive  
3 Order 20-02.

4           *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*  
5 *20-02 declaring a public health emergency on March 6, 2020,*  
6 *under the authority of Indiana's Emergency Management and*  
7 *Disaster Law (IC 10-14-3) in response to the global*  
8 *coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic;*

9           *Whereas, IC 10-14-3-12 provides that a state of disaster*  
10 *emergency declared under IC 10-14-3 may not continue for*  
11 *more than thirty (30) days unless the state of disaster*  
12 *emergency is renewed by the governor;*

13           *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*  
14 *20-17 renewing the public health emergency declared on*  
15 *March 6, 2020, for an additional thirty (30) days effective April*  
16 *5, 2020;*

17           *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*  
18 *20-25 renewing the public health emergency originally*  
19 *declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on April 5, 2020, for*  
20 *an additional thirty (30) days effective May 5, 2020;*

21           *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*  
22 *20-30 renewing the public health emergency originally*  
23 *declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on May 5, 2020, for*  
24 *an additional thirty (30) days effective June 4, 2020;*

25           *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*



1     20-34 renewing the public health emergency originally  
2     declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on June 4, 2020, for  
3     an additional thirty (30) days effective July 4, 2020;

4     Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order  
5     20-38 renewing the public health emergency originally  
6     declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on July 4, 2020, for  
7     an additional thirty (30) days effective August 3, 2020;

8     Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order  
9     20-41 renewing the public health emergency originally  
10    declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on August 3, 2020,  
11    for an additional thirty (30) days effective September 2, 2020;

12    Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order  
13    20-44 renewing the public health emergency originally  
14    declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on September 2,  
15    2020, for an additional thirty (30) days effective October 2,  
16    2020;

17    Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order  
18    20-47 renewing the public health emergency originally  
19    declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on October 2, 2020,  
20    for the eighth time and an additional thirty (30) days effective  
21    November 1, 2020;

22    Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order  
23    20-49 renewing the public health emergency originally  
24    declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on November 1, 2020,  
25    for the ninth time and an additional thirty (30) days effective  
26    December 1, 2020;

27    Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order  
28    20-52 renewing the public health emergency originally  
29    declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on December 1, 2020,  
30    for the tenth time and an additional thirty (30) days effective  
31    December 31, 2020;

32    Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order  
33    21-03 renewing the public health emergency originally  
34    declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on December 31,  
35    2020, for the eleventh time and an additional thirty (30) days  
36    effective January 30, 2021;



1       *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*  
2       *21-05 renewing the public health emergency originally*  
3       *declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on January 30, 2021,*  
4       *for the twelfth time and an additional thirty (30) days effective*  
5       *March 1, 2021;*

6       *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*  
7       *21-08 renewing the public health emergency originally*  
8       *declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on March 1, 2021, for*  
9       *the thirteenth time and an additional thirty (30) days effective*  
10       *March 31, 2021;*

11       *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*  
12       *21-11 renewing the public health emergency originally*  
13       *declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on March 31, 2021,*  
14       *for the fourteenth time and an additional thirty (30) days*  
15       *effective May 1, 2021;*

16       *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*  
17       *21-14 renewing the public health emergency originally*  
18       *declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on May 1, 2021, for*  
19       *the fifteenth time and an additional thirty (30) days effective*  
20       *June 1, 2021;*

21       *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*  
22       *21-16 renewing the public health emergency originally*  
23       *declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on June 1, 2021, for*  
24       *the sixteenth time and an additional thirty (30) days effective*  
25       *July 1, 2021;*

26       *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*  
27       *21-18 renewing the public health emergency originally*  
28       *declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on July 1, 2021, for*  
29       *the seventeenth time and an additional thirty (30) days effective*  
30       *August 1, 2021;*

31       *Whereas, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order*  
32       *21-22 renewing the public health emergency originally*  
33       *declared on March 6, 2020, and renewed on August 1, 2021,*  
34       *for the eighteenth time and an additional thirty (30) days*  
35       *effective August 31, 2021;*

36       *Whereas, IC 10-14-3-12 authorizes the general assembly, by*  
37       *concurrent resolution, to terminate a state of disaster*



1     *emergency at any time and specifies that, if the general*  
 2     *assembly terminates a state of disaster emergency under the*  
 3     *statute, the governor shall issue an executive order or*  
 4     *proclamation ending the state of disaster emergency;*

5             *Whereas, The general assembly finds that Hoosiers are*  
 6     *responsible for and capable of protecting the health and safety*  
 7     *of themselves and their families;*

8             *Whereas, The general assembly finds that Hoosiers have been*  
 9     *educated and informed on how to properly protect themselves*  
 10    *and their families from COVID-19;*

11            *Whereas, The general assembly finds that the state of*  
 12    *emergency is no longer necessary to protect the health, safety,*  
 13    *and welfare of the residents of Indiana;*

14            *Whereas, The general assembly finds that state agency*  
 15    *actions initiated in response to COVID-19, regardless of*  
 16    *whether the agency actions were initiated under the authority*  
 17    *of the declared public health emergency, are no longer*  
 18    *necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the*  
 19    *residents of Indiana;*

20            *Whereas, The general assembly finds that the various*  
 21    *restrictions imposed upon the residents of Indiana to implement*  
 22    *the state of disaster emergency are no longer necessary to*  
 23    *protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of*  
 24    *Indiana;*

25            *Whereas, The general assembly recommends that state*  
 26    *agencies terminate, withdraw, or otherwise revoke all state*  
 27    *agency actions, policies, or orders initiated in response to*  
 28    *COVID-19: Therefore,*

29                         *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives*  
 30                         *of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,*  
 31                                 *the Senate concurring:*

32            SECTION 1. That the General Assembly terminates the  
 33    public health emergency that was originally declared by the  
 34    Governor on March 6, 2020, and renewed for the eighteenth  
 35    time on August 31, 2021, effective immediately upon the  
 36    passage of this resolution by the Senate.



1           SECTION 2. That the General Assembly determines that any  
2 actions taken by the Governor or any requirements issued by the  
3 Governor pursuant to his authority under an emergency  
4 declaration are also hereby terminated.

5           SECTION 3. That copies of this resolution be transmitted by  
6 the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives to Governor  
7 Eric Holcomb.

