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**HOUSE  
RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

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*Introduced by: Porter*

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1           A HOUSE RESOLUTION memorializing Karen Kay  
2 Leonard.

3           *Whereas, Karen Kay Ball Leonard was born February 18,*  
4 *1943, to Irene (Nowka) and Wilson Oscar Ball near Hinton,*  
5 *Oklahoma;*

6           *Whereas, Karen Kay Leonard passed away November 21,*  
7 *2018;*

8           *Whereas, Karen Kay Leonard graduated from Boston*  
9 *University with a bachelor's degree in secondary education;*

10          *Whereas, Karen Kay Leonard received a master's degree in*  
11 *English from Southern Methodist University;*

12          *Whereas, Karen Kay Leonard married Jack Edward Leonard*

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1 *of Ponca City, Oklahoma, in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on*  
2 *June 18, 1965;*

3 *Whereas, Karen Kay Leonard, Jack, and their three children*  
4 *moved to Indianapolis in August 1985;*

5 *Whereas, Karen Kay Leonard taught English at North*  
6 *Central High School;*

7 *Whereas, Karen Kay Leonard dedicated considerable*  
8 *attention and work at North United Methodist Church in*  
9 *Indianapolis;*

10 *Whereas, Karen Kay Leonard served as president of the*  
11 *League of Women Voters of Indiana;*

12 *Whereas, Karen Kay Leonard cofounded the Waza Alliance*  
13 *for Quality Education, which is dedicated to enhancing the*  
14 *lives of children in the Democratic Republic of the Congo by*  
15 *improving the quality of their education; and*

16 *Whereas, Karen Kay Leonard's life was marked by diligence,*  
17 *competence, and a deep concern for those around her,*  
18 *especially her husband, children, and grandchildren:*  
19 *Therefore,*

20 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the*  
21 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

22 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives  
23 expresses its deepest sympathy to the family of Karen Kay  
24 Leonard and recognizes her achievements and positive impact  
25 in the state of Indiana and around the world.

26 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
27 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the family  
28 of Karen Kay Leonard.

