

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

Introduced by: Porter, Pryor, Shackleford, Jackson, Hatcher

1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing February 19, 2024, 2 as Jack and Jill of America Day at the Indiana State Capitol.

Whereas, Jack and Jill of America, Inc., is the premiere organization dedicated to nurturing future African-American leaders through cultural, educational, health, civic, and social programming;

Whereas, Jack and Jill of America, Inc., boasts 262 chapters nationwide, representing more than 50,000 family members, with a significant presence in the state of Indiana;

Whereas, Each Jack and Jill of America chapter annually plans programming activities guided by a comprehensive five-point programmatic thrust, including cultural awareness, educational development, health advocacy, civic engagement, and social and recreational activities;

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Whereas, Through its service projects, Jack and Jill of America creates invaluable opportunities for children to engage in activities that stimulate their growth and development, fostering a sense of community and service among youth;

Whereas, Jack and Jill of America actively promotes public awareness and advocacy for children's interests through lobbying, educational programming, dissemination of materials, and organizing community and charitable events, thereby advancing crucial issues such as child development, quality of life, and children's rights; and

Whereas, The organization currently operates 262 chapters across the United States with 41 of those chapters situated in the Midwestern region under the exemplary leadership of Regional Director Deidre Lindsey, including four chapters serving the state of Indiana: Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives recognizes February 19, 2024, as Jack and Jill of America Day at the Indiana State Capitol in recognition of the significant contributions made by Jack and Jill of America, Inc., to the enrichment of children's lives and the betterment of communities across the nation, and particularly within the state of Indiana.

SECTION 2. That the Indiana House of Representatives extends its gratitude to Jack and Jill of America, Inc., its Mother members, Father's Auxiliary, and Associates, for their unwavering dedication to the well-being and development of children and families.

SECTION 3. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to the Indianapolis and Circle City chapters of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., in recognition of all Indiana chapters and as a token of the Indiana House of Representatives' appreciation for their outstanding service and commitment to the youth of our state and nation.