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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Representative Denny
2 Zent.

3 *Whereas, Representative Denny Zent, who was first elected*
4 *to represent the citizens of House District 51 in 2012, will be*
5 *leaving the House Chamber for the last time at the end of the*
6 *2024 Legislative Session;*

7 *Whereas, During his time in the House of Representatives,*
8 *Representative Zent has served on the House Public Health*
9 *Committee and the House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety*
10 *Committee, and he served as Chair for the House Local*
11 *Government Committee;*

12 *Whereas, Representative Zent, a veteran of the U.S. Army*
13 *and U.S. Air Force, has spent his tenure advocating for Hoosier*
14 *veterans and their families, authoring legislation to help*

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1 *military families that locate to Indiana and have children with*
2 *disabilities in need of medical care, to ensure that the Office of*
3 *Judicial Administration can work with the U.S. Department of*
4 *Veterans Affairs to identify veterans in the court system and*
5 *connect them with services like housing, physical and mental*
6 *health care, and employment, and to extend protections*
7 *provided by the federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to*
8 *members of the Indiana National Guard;*

9 *Whereas, Representative Zent is also a retired endodontist*
10 *and worked to expand Hoosiers' access to dental care in rural*
11 *and underserved areas, and he authored the Caregiver Advise,*
12 *Record, and Enable Act, which was created to better support*
13 *Hoosier family caregivers;*

14 *Whereas, In addition to his service as a state representative,*
15 *Representative Zent has been heavily involved in his community*
16 *through the American Legion, Angola Chamber of Commerce,*
17 *National Federation of Independent Business, American Dental*
18 *Association, and Indiana Dental Association. He's a member of*
19 *Veterans of Foreign Wars, and he served on the board of*
20 *directors for Cameron Hospital and Shepherds House, which*
21 *helps homeless veterans;*

22 *Whereas, Representative Zent is married to his wife of 53*
23 *years, Wendy, with whom he has two children, and he and his*
24 *wife happily reside in Angola; and*

25 *Whereas, Representative Zent has served his constituency*
26 *loyally and faithfully since his election to the House of*
27 *Representatives: Therefore,*

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

30 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives
31 honors Representative Denny Zent upon his retirement.

32 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
33 Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to
34 Representative Denny Zent.

