

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ___

Introduced by: Steuerwald

1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Representative Jerry 2 Torr.

Whereas, Representative Jerry Torr, who was first elected to represent the citizens of House District 39 in 1996, will be leaving the House Chamber for the last time at the end of the 2024 Legislative Session;

Whereas, During his time in the House of Representatives,
Representative Torr has served in a multitude of roles, but he
currently serves as Vice Chair of the House Judiciary
Committee, Vice Chair of the House Joint Rules Committee,
and is a member of the House Employment, Labor and

12 Pensions Committee and the House Rules and Legislative

13 Procedures Committee;

14 Whereas, Representative Torr has authored several notable

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laws including moving Indiana to Daylight Saving Time, the 1 right-to-work law giving Hoosier workers the freedom to 2 3 choose whether to financially support a union, and a law that repealed the common construction wage in order to save 4 taxpayer dollars on the cost of public projects. He is a strong 5 advocate of eliminating the practice of gerrymandering in 6 Indiana through legislative proposals that would create a 7 bipartisan commission to draw new Indiana House of 8 Representatives and Indiana State Senate districts, ensuring 9 that districts are drawn in the interest of constituents rather 10 than in the interest of political parties and incumbent 11 12 legislators; Whereas, Representative Torr has been honored twice as 13 Government Leader of the Year by the Indiana Chamber of 14 Commerce at its annual awards dinner, first in 2005 and again 15 in 2012. The only other two-time winners are former House 16 Speaker Brian Bosma and late U.S. Senator Richard Lugar; 17 Whereas, In addition to his service as a state representative, 18 19 Representative Torr is currently a member of the OneZone, which is the combined Carmel and Fishers Chambers of 20 Commerce, is a former precinct committeeman, has been a 21 delegate to numerous Republican state conventions, and has 22 served on the board of directors of the National MS Society 23 Indiana Chapter, Indiana Humanities, and Carmel Symphony 24 Orchestra: 25 Whereas, Representative Torr is a sixth generation Hoosier 26 who has a strong love for music and music composition, and he 27 has conducted an original composition that was performed by 28 the Carmel Symphony Orchestra at the Palladium in Carmel; 29 and 30 31 Whereas, Representative Torr has served his constituency loyally and faithfully since his election to the House of 32 Representatives: Therefore, 33 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the* 34 General Assembly of the State of Indiana: 35

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SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives

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- 1 honors Representative Jerry Torr upon his retirement.
- 2 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 3 Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to
- 4 Representative Jerry Torr.

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