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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

Introduced by: Koch

A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing The Society of Indiana Pioneers on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of its founding.

Whereas, The Society of Indiana Pioneers honors the memory and the work of the pioneers of Indiana;

Whereas, The Society honors these memories by encouraging historical research, advocating for the interpretation and education of state and local history, working with other historical societies, and helping to make information regarding the history of Indiana available to citizens;

Whereas, John Hampden Holliday (1846-1921), the founder of the Indianapolis News, founded The Society of

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Indiana Pioneers on September 15, 1916, to bring together people who were descendants of the early settlers of Indiana;

Whereas, The Society of Indiana Pioneers was founded 100 years after Indiana became a state in 1816;

Whereas, Anyone who can prove that he or she is a direct descendant of at least one Indiana pioneer is eligible for membership in The Society of Indiana Pioneers;

Whereas, In preparation for the 200th anniversary of Indiana's statehood in 2016, The Society of Indiana Pioneers is seeking to honor pioneers who came to the Indiana Territory in the 1700s and 1800s and settled in Indiana by 1840;

Whereas, The Society of Indiana Pioneers is striving to ensure that family pioneer stories are told, and printed and included in the society's archives and Internet web site; and

Whereas, The lives of early Indiana pioneers are of great value to current and future generations of Hoosiers: Therefore,

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

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives recognizes
2 the efforts of The Society of Indiana Pioneers to preserve the pioneer
3 stories for generations to come and acknowledges the 100 years of the
4 society's outstanding work.

5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
6 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to The Society of
7 Indiana Pioneers.

