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

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*Introduced by: Klinker*

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1           A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Professor Matthew R.  
2           Conaway of Purdue University.

3           *Whereas, Matthew R. Conaway graduated from Woodhaven*  
4           *High School of Brownstown, Michigan, in 1997;*

5           *Whereas, He received his Bachelor of Music Education with*  
6           *Distinction in 2001 from Indiana University in Bloomington;*

7           *Whereas, He earned a Master of Music degree from the*  
8           *American Band College of Sam Houston State University in*  
9           *2010;*

10          *Whereas, Matthew R. Conaway served for 10 years as the*  
11          *director of bands for the West Lafayette Community School*  
12          *Corporation, during which time the program received many*  
13          *state and national accolades for musical excellence and raised*

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1 *band program enrollment by over 200 students in grades 5-12;*

2 *Whereas, Under Conaway's leadership, the West Lafayette*  
3 *Community School Corporation was recognized by the*  
4 *National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM) Foundation*  
5 *as one of the "Best Communities for Music Education" in the*  
6 *U.S. in 2006, 2010, 2011, and 2012;*

7 *Whereas, Matthew R. Conaway was appointed to the Purdue*  
8 *faculty in August 2012 as an assistant professor, and was*  
9 *promoted to the rank of Associate Professor with tenure in July*  
10 *2018;*

11 *Whereas, Matthew R. Conaway serves as an associate*  
12 *director of the famed Purdue "All-American" Marching Band,*  
13 *directs Boiler Brass, the Purdue men's basketball pep band,*  
14 *and conducts the Purdue Symphonic Band and Varsity Band.*  
15 *He is responsible for coordinating marching band travel and*  
16 *has organized trips around the Big Ten, as well as a significant*  
17 *performance experience in Medellin, Colombia in 2015;*

18 *Whereas, Matthew R. Conaway is an award-winning,*  
19 *internationally known composer for concert bands, with over*  
20 *50 original works currently in publication that range in*  
21 *difficulty from very beginning through very advanced; and*

22 *Whereas, Matthew R. Conaway was honored to experience*  
23 *his Carnegie Hall debut in March 2016 with a world premiere*  
24 *performance by the Purdue Wind Ensemble: Therefore,*

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

27 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives  
28 honors Professor Matthew R. Conaway of Purdue University  
29 for his accomplishments.

30 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
31 Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to State  
32 Representative Sheila Klinker for distribution.

