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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing National Speech
2 and Debate Education Day.

3 *Whereas, National Speech and Debate Education Day is*
4 *being celebrated on March 2, 2018;*

5 *Whereas, Established by the National Speech and Debate*
6 *Association, in conjunction with national and local partners,*
7 *this event serves to promote better instruction in speech and*
8 *debate across all grade levels and to highlight the pivotal roles*
9 *these abilities play in personal advocacy, social movements,*
10 *and public policy making;*

11 *Whereas, Speech and debate education helps students*
12 *develop important skills in communication, critical thinking,*
13 *creativity, and collaboration through the practice of public*

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1 *speaking; participants not only learn to analyze and express*
2 *complex ideas effectively but also to listen, concur, question, or*
3 *dissent with reason and compassion;*

4 *Whereas, Across the country, countless educators devote in*
5 *school, after school, and weekend time to supporting their*
6 *students in speech and debate practices and competitions, and*
7 *the example of hard work and dedication they set has lasting,*
8 *positive impact on their pupils; and*

9 *Whereas, The skills learned through speech and debate serve*
10 *students well throughout their lives, and this occasion presents*
11 *a welcome opportunity to recognize such instruction as an*
12 *essential component of a well rounded curriculum: Therefore,*

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

15 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives
16 recognizes March 2, 2018, as National Speech and Debate
17 Education Day in Indiana.

18 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
19 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the
20 National Speech and Debate Association.

