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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. ____**

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing the National Association of Women Business Owners on the occasion of its 40th anniversary.

Whereas, Women business owners represent one of the fastest-growing segments of the economy;

Whereas, 9.1 million firms are owned by women, employing nearly 7.9 million people, and generating \$1.4 trillion in sales as of 2014;

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Whereas, There is vast untapped entrepreneurial potential among women in the United States;

Whereas, Empowering more women to be business owners and entrepreneurs is critical to our nation's economic future;

Whereas, The National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) was established in 1975 by a group of like-minded businesswomen to serve as the collective voice of women business owners across the country and advocate on behalf of their entrepreneurial interests;

Whereas, NAWBO proudly has a chapter in Indianapolis with more than 200 members;

Whereas, The Indianapolis chapter is the largest of the 60 chapters across the United States; and

Whereas, The Indianapolis chapter seeks and provides diversity and inclusion training, community awareness, and member-mentorship programs to advance the sustainability and success of its business community: 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 commends
- 2 the National Association of Women Business Owners for its tireless
- 3 efforts and decades of support of women entrepreneurs and business
- 4 owners and congratulates NAWBO on its 40th anniversary.
- 5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 6 Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to the Indianapolis
- 7 chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners.

