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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION urges the United States Forest
2 Service to establish an off-road vehicles (ORVs) trail system.

3 *Whereas, Off-road vehicles (ORVs) are used by many*
4 *Americans for recreation and work-related activities;*

5 *Whereas, Many national forests in Michigan, Kentucky, and*
6 *Ohio allow the use of ORVs on designated forest trails;*

7 *Whereas, Currently the Hoosier National Forest does not*
8 *allow the use of ORVs on any trails; and*

9 *Whereas, The creation or designation of trails for the*
10 *general use of ORVs in the Hoosier National Forest would*
11 *encourage greater outdoor recreation and economic benefits*
12 *for rural communities near the Hoosier National Forest and*

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1 *Indiana at large: Therefore,*

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

4 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives
5 urges the United States Forest Service to establish an ORV trail
6 system utilizing the full 15,300 acres identified in the Off-Road
7 Vehicle Used Areas (1987) to allow greater use of the Hoosier
8 National Forest for the recreational and economic benefit of the
9 citizens of the State of Indiana.

10 SECTION 2. That the Indiana House of Representatives
11 urges a timely administrative process for this action through an
12 amendment or similar appropriate alteration to the current Land
13 and Resource Management Plan and Travel Management Plan.

14 SECTION 3. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
15 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Tony
16 Tooke, Chief of the United States Forest Service.

