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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION urging Hoosiers to recognize March 22, 2016, as American Diabetes Association Alert Day.

Whereas, Diabetes is a devastating disease that affects nearly 26 million Americans;

Whereas, If current trends continue, one out of every three American adults will have diabetes by 2050;

Whereas, The prevalence of diabetes is significantly higher among adults 18 years and older who are obese as compared to those who are not obese;

Whereas, Obesity is one of the most well established and modifiable risk factors for diabetes;

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Whereas, Approximately 79 million, or one in three, American adults have pre-diabetes, which means that their blood sugar is higher than normal but not high enough to be classified as diabetes;

Whereas, Without intervention, individuals with pre-diabetes are at a much higher risk of developing type 2 diabetes;

Whereas, The American Diabetes Association estimates that the total cost of diagnosed diabetes in the United States is \$174 billion;

Whereas, Studies suggest that when additional costs for gestational diabetes, pre-diabetes, and undiagnosed diabetes are included, the total diabetes-related costs in the United States could exceed \$218 billion; and

Whereas, Early detection and disease management can help prevent complications of diabetes, including cardiovascular disease, blindness, nervous system damage, and kidney failure: 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 urges all
2 Hoosiers to recognize March 22, 2016, as American Diabetes
3 Association Alert Day.

4 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
5 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the American
6 Diabetes Association.

