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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing Elmer H. Rosebrough.

Whereas, Born on August 15, 1918, as an identical twin to Willard in the Brookside area of Indianapolis, Elmer Rosebrough was raised on the west side of Indianapolis and graduated from Washington High School;

Whereas, Elmer Rosebrough enlisted in the United States Army at the start of World War II, trained in England, participated in the Normandy Invasion, and fought in the Battle of the Bulge;

Whereas, After the end of the war, Elmer moved back to Indianapolis and purchased a small retail hardware store with

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his brother in Mars Hill on the southwest side of Indianapolis;

Whereas, Elmer and Willard expanded the store to include clothing and toys as well as acquiring some adjacent land and buildings;

Whereas, In 1967, they sold the business;

Whereas, Elmer had a second successful career as a warehouse supervisor for Indiana Farm Bureau Plant Food Division;

Whereas, After retirement, Elmer and his brother built over 100 decks, completing the last deck when he was 85 years old;

Whereas, Elmer is a devoted family man to his wife, Anna Strakis, three children, Dennis (Kyle Ann), Donna Morris (Phil), and Rick (Donna), seven grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren;

Whereas, Always active in his community, Elmer was a founding member and elected officer of the Mars Hill Volunteer Fire Department, an active member of Grace Lutheran Church, and a founding member of Our Shepherd Lutheran Church, where he has served in many volunteer and elected capacities;

Whereas, Elmer was active in local politics, first acting as a poll worker in 1971 and first volunteering for Dick Lugar in his run for mayor of Indianapolis;

Whereas, Elmer is also an avid Colts, Cubs, IU, and Butler fan; and

Whereas, Accomplishments such as these deserve special recognition: 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 recognizes
- 2 the many accomplishments of Elmer H. Rosebrough and thanks him for
- 3 his dedication to his state and his country.
- 4 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of



- 1 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Elmer H.
- 2 Rosebrough and his family.

