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1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION congratulating Vice Admiral
2 Sean Buck on his retirement from the United States Navy.

3 *Whereas, Vice Admiral Buck served for 44 years of*
4 *dedicated service to the United States, was a distinguished*
5 *graduate of North Central High School, and was a four time*
6 *tennis state champion;*

7 *Whereas, Vice Admiral Buck is a native of Indianapolis who*

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1 attended the United States Naval Academy, received his
2 commission in 1983, became a naval flight officer in 1985, and
3 received a Master of the Arts in International Security Policy
4 from George Washington University;

5 Whereas, Vice Admiral Buck has served as a commander of
6 the Patrol and Reconnaissance Force with the U.S. 5th and 7th
7 Fleets, served as Chief of Staff of Strategy, Plans, and Policy of
8 the Joint Staff, served as Director of the 21st Century Sailor
9 Office where his portfolio included the Navy's prevention and
10 response programs for a number of destructive human
11 behaviors, and served as Commander for the U.S. Naval Forces
12 Southern Command/U.S. 4th Fleet;

13 Whereas, Vice Admiral Buck's early at-sea tours were with
14 the "Fighting Marlins" of Patrol Squadron 40, aboard the USS
15 Theodore Roosevelt as a catapult and arresting gear division
16 officer, and as a department head and eventual commander of
17 the "Tridents" of VP-26;

18 Whereas, Vice Admiral Buck's shore and staff assignments
19 included the Air Test and Evaluation Squadron, Bureau of
20 Naval Personnel, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations staff
21 as executive assistant to the deputy chief of Naval Operations
22 for Warfare Requirements and Programs, and an interim
23 assignment with the National Reconnaissance Office, and as a
24 member of the Navy's Space Cadre;

25 Whereas, Vice Admiral Buck performed meritorious and
26 distinguished service during many conflicts including the Cold
27 War, Gulf War, and Global War On Terror, as well as
28 Operations Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Allied Force, Iraqi
29 Freedom, and Enduring Freedom, along with humanitarian
30 missions including Operations Tomodachi, Continuing
31 Promise, and Martillo which provided rescue, aid, and comfort
32 following earthquakes, tsunamis, and radiological disasters,
33 and he led major counter-narcotics efforts, as well as a seven
34 nation search for the lost Argentinian submarine ARA San
35 Juan;

36 Whereas, Vice Admiral Buck became the 63rd
37 Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy on July 26, 2019;



1 *and*

2 *Whereas, Vice Admiral Buck has been guided by Hoosier*
3 *values throughout his impressive career: Therefore,*

4 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the*
5 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

6 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives
7 congratulates Vice Admiral Sean Buck on his retirement from
8 the United States Navy after 44 years of dedicated service.

9 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
10 Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to State
11 Representative Ben Smaltz for distribution.

