

**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. ____**

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION memorializing Andrew Jacobs, Jr.

Whereas, Former Indiana Congressman Andrew Jacobs, Jr. died peacefully at his home on Saturday, December 28, 2013 at the age of 81;

Whereas, Born in Indianapolis, Andy Jacobs graduated from Shortridge High School in 1949 and served as an infantryman in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War;

Whereas, Andy Jacobs earned a bachelor's degree in business and a LL.B. from Indiana University;

Whereas, Andy Jacobs served his country and his state as a state legislator and Congressman serving in the United States House of Representatives for thirty years, with eight years of service on the Judiciary Committee and 22 years of service on



the powerful Ways and Means Committee;

Whereas, Andy Jacobs was one of the early critics of the Vietnam War and coined the phrase "war wimp" to describe those who were eager to send others into combat, but who had avoided serving their country in the military;

Whereas, Andy Jacobs helped write the 1965 Voting Rights Act, cutting edge civil rights legislation, and worked closely throughout his career with civil rights leaders such as Reverend Andrew J. Brown;

Whereas, Andy Jacobs received numerous accolades and awards, including "The Drum Major for Justice", awarded to him by the Indiana Christian Leadership Conference (ICLC), which is the Indiana chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, founded by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.;

*Whereas, Andy Jacobs also authored a book on fellow congressman Adam Clayton Powell Jr. titled *The Powell Affair: Freedom Minus One*, that told the story of the 1967 vote in the United States House of Representatives which unseated Powell and excluded him from his formal political power;*

Whereas, Andy Jacobs strongly believed that if a child's educational foundation was sound it not only benefitted the child, but society as a whole would be strengthened;

Whereas, the intense legislative efforts of Andy Jacobs toward cognitive preschool education for disadvantaged children were largely unheeded and are only now being acted upon;

Whereas, Known for being frugal, Andy Jacobs refused to accept pay raises between elections after 1969 and, in 1976 and every Congress thereafter, introduced the Payment Book Amendment to the Constitution that was designed to pay off the national debt and require the federal government to operate on a balanced budget;

Whereas, After retiring from the Congress, Andy Jacobs taught at IUPUI and became a columnist for NUVO



Newsweekly; and

Whereas, Andrew Jacobs, Jr. was a selfless public servant, who never cared for the trappings of office but only the people he so ably represented: 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 wishes to
- 2 express its deepest sympathy to the family of Andrew Jacobs, Jr. and
- 3 heartfelt gratitude for his years of dedicated service to Indiana and the
- 4 entire world.
- 5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 6 Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to his wife, Kim
- 7 Hood Jacobs, and sons Andy and Steven Jacobs.

