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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

Introduced by: Andrade

1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Patrick O'Rourke's
2 years of service and his retirement.

3 *Whereas, Mr. Patrick O'Rourke served the community of*
4 *Hammond, Indiana, through his work as president of the*
5 *Hammond Teachers' Federation;*

6 *Whereas, Teachers worked with and relied upon Mr.*
7 *O'Rourke during his 50 years of service with the Hammond*
8 *Teachers' Federation in many capacities, including contract*
9 *negotiations, lobbying, and personal matters;*

10 *Whereas, Mr. O'Rourke built a strong reputation*
11 *representing teachers at the State House during legislative*
12 *sessions of the Indiana General Assembly, and was an active*
13 *voice in policy discussions concerning teachers in his*
14 *community;*

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1 *Whereas, Mr. O'Rourke and his staff worked tirelessly on*
2 *behalf of teachers during contract negotiations and helped*
3 *represent individuals with personal or professional issues or*
4 *grievances;*

5 *Whereas, Under O'Rourke's leadership, the Hammond*
6 *Teachers' Federation became a strong political voice in*
7 *Indiana, enhancing the activism of those in Hammond; and*

8 *Whereas, O'Rourke's commitment to equity and integrity will*
9 *be remembered fondly by his peers and the many teachers*
10 *whom he represented: Therefore,*

11 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the*
12 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

13 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives
14 honors Patrick O'Rourke for his many years of service to his
15 community.

16 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
17 Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to the
18 office of State Representative Mike Andrade for distribution.

