

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ___

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring the Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of its founding.

Whereas, The Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce has been working to serve the interests of the business community since the Articles of Association were established on April 21, 1916;

Whereas, The mission of the Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce is to provide its members a competitive advantage by promoting business, industry, tourism, and quality of life;

Whereas, The founding members of the board were William E. Clark, Albert J. Fields, Edmund B. Thornton, Edward A.

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Sohn, C.M. Lemon, J.D. Martin, Stanley T. Chrisler, Carl Furst, Miles Standish, Thomas J. Brooks, J.R. Voris, W.E. McCormick, J. Frank Walls, and Edward E. Farmer;

Whereas, The Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce and its members have received numerous awards and recognitions for their community work including the first ever ICEA Executive of the Year in 2002, the 2015 ICEA Executive of the Year, 2013 Indiana Chamber Community of the Year, 2015 runner-up ICEA Chamber of the Year, and National Clean City 1961, 1962, and 1963;

Whereas, Throughout the past 100 years, the Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce has progressed with the times;

Whereas, The Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce has seen two World Wars, the Great Depression, the assassination of John F. Kennedy, the Civil Rights Movement, Apollo 11 and the first man on the moon, the 9/11 tragedy, and so much more; and

Whereas, Through all this time, the Bedford Chamber has continued to make strides for its members and the community by staying true to its mission: Therefore,

> Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates the Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce on the occasion of its 100th year of dedicated service to the community.

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6 7 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to CEO Shance Sizemore and the members of the Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce.

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