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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION congratulating Cantor Janice L.
2 Roger on her retirement.

3 *Whereas, A native of Chicago, Illinois, Cantor Janice Roger*
4 *grew up at Temple Beth Israel where she began singing in the*
5 *choir at 8 years old;*

6 *Whereas, Cantor Janice Roger studied at Chicago Musical*
7 *College, where she received a Bachelor of Music degree in*
8 *music history and did course work in Hebrew and Jewish*
9 *studies at the Spertus College of Judaica prior to attending*
10 *Hebrew Union College;*

11 *Whereas, Cantor Janice Roger was ordained in 1979 as one*
12 *of the first women to enter the cantorate and, when installed as*
13 *hazzan at Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation, served officially*

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1 *as the first cantor of the congregation, now in its 161st year;*

2 *Whereas, Cantor Janice Roger came to Indianapolis Hebrew*
3 *Congregation in 1979 after completing her cantorial studies at*
4 *the School of Sacred Music of Hebrew Union College;*

5 *Whereas, In addition to her singing, Cantor Janice Roger*
6 *teaches bar/bat mitzvah students, teaches in the Religious*
7 *School and the Adult Jewish Academy, and is the music teacher*
8 *for the Early Childhood Center;*

9 *Whereas, Cantor Janice Roger has sung with the*
10 *Indianapolis Arts Chorale, Ronen Chamber Ensemble,*
11 *Indianapolis Children's Choir, and Indianapolis Symphonic*
12 *Choir;*

13 *Whereas, Cantor Janice Roger has coordinated interfaith*
14 *choral programs, the Jewish Choral Festival, and the Young*
15 *People's Jewish Music Competition and has performed with the*
16 *Raanana Symphonette Orchestra in Israel and at the D-Day*
17 *Museum in New Orleans;*

18 *Whereas, Cantor Janice Roger received a Creative Renewal*
19 *Fellowship from the Arts Council of Indianapolis in 1999;*

20 *Whereas, Cantor Janice Roger has served nationally as a*
21 *board member of the American Conference of Cantors,*
22 *Cantorial Chair of the National Commission on Cantorial -*
23 *Congregational Relations of the Union of American Hebrew*
24 *Congregations and American Conference of Cantors;*

25 *Whereas, Cantor Janice Roger is a member of the faculty of*
26 *Goldman Union Camp Institute each summer and involved with*
27 *the local Jewish, civic, and interfaith community in*
28 *Indianapolis and Central Indiana;*

29 *Whereas, Cantor Janice Roger is married to Indianapolis*
30 *native Brandon Roger and together they have two sons, Eddie*
31 *and Miles; and*

32 *Whereas, Cantor Janice Roger has filled the lives of*
33 *countless people with beautiful music and has enlightened them*



1 *through her dedication to those she serves: Therefore,*

2 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the*
3 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

4 SECTION 1. That the members of the Indiana House of
5 Representatives thank Cantor Janice L. Roger for her service to her
6 state and her community and wishes her great happiness and
7 contentment in her retirement.

8 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
9 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Cantor Janice L.
10 Roger and her family.

