

**SENATE CONCURRENT  
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2 involved in the successful Miracle on Mount Baldy rescue.

3           *Whereas, Mount Baldy is the tallest moving sand dune in the Indiana*  
4 *Dunes National Lakeshore;*

5           *Whereas, On July 12, 2013, six-year-old Nathan Woessner fell into*  
6 *a sinkhole on Mount Baldy and was buried alive for four hours;*

7           *Whereas, 135 first responders, two excavator machines, and a*  
8 *tremendous amount of manpower dug through the sand to rescue*  
9 *Woessner;*

10           *Whereas, A number of agencies provided invaluable assistance in*  
11 *saving Woessner's life, including E911 Dispatch Center, Michigan City*  
12 *Fire Department, Michigan City Police Department, National Park*  
13 *Service, Police and Fire Chaplains, Emergency Medical Volunteers,*  
14 *LaPorte County Emergency Medical Services, LaPorte County Sheriff*  
15 *reserves, Long Beach Police Department, Red Cross of LaPorte*  
16 *County, NIPSCO, Michigan City-City Hall, LaPorte County Coroner's*  
17 *Office, The News Dispatch, Woodruff & Sons, D&M Excavating, Trail*  
18 *Creek Police Department, LaPorte County EMA, Franciscan St.*  
19 *Anthony's Hospital, University of Chicago Hospital, and*  
20 *UCAN/Lifestar Medical Helicopter;*

21           *Whereas, Michigan City Mayor Ron Meen, Michigan City Chief of*  
22 *Police Mark Swistek, Michigan City Fire Chief Ronnie Martin, and*  
23 *LaPorte County Emergency Medical Services Director Pat Pease*  
24 *showed exceptional leadership ability while directing their staffs in the*  
25 *successful rescue of Woessner, now known as the Miracle on Mount*  
26 *Baldy;*

27           *Whereas, The heroic and quick-thinking efforts exhibited by the men*  
28 *and women involved transformed this incident from a tragedy into a*  
29 *triumph, and serves as an example of professional excellence,*



1     *dedication, and commitment; and*

2             *Whereas, The actions of those involved reflect great credit upon*  
3     *themselves, their community, and the great state of Indiana: Therefore,*

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

7             SECTION 1. The Indiana General Assembly honors the personnel  
8     involved in the successful Miracle on Mount Baldy rescue.

9             SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is directed to transmit  
10    copies of this resolution to the City of Michigan City, the Michigan  
11    City Police Department, the Michigan City Fire Department, and  
12    LaPorte County Emergency Medical Services.

