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RESOLUTION No. 4**

DIGEST OF RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the work of the United Association of Union Plumbers, Pipefitters, Welders, Sprinklefitters and Service Techs of the United States and Canada on their Veterans in Piping Program.

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(HOUSE SPONSOR — MACER)

January 10, 2018, read first time and referred to Committee on Veterans Affairs and The Military.

January 23, 2018, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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2 the United Association of Union Plumbers, Pipefitters,
3 Welders, Sprinklefitters and Service Techs of the United States
4 and Canada on their Veterans in Piping Program.

5 *Whereas, The difficulty of veterans in the United States*
6 *finding work has been well documented in recent years and*
7 *has become the focus of many worthwhile organizations,*
8 *including the United Association of Union Plumbers,*
9 *Pipefitters, Welders, Sprinklefitters and Service Techs of the*
10 *United States and Canada (UA);*

11 *Whereas, The UA has partnered with the military to*
12 *create a UA Veterans in Piping (VIP) program that offers*
13 *high-quality skills training and jobs in the pipe trades to US*
14 *veterans and active duty military personnel preparing to*
15 *leave the service;*

16 *Whereas, UA General President Mark McManus*
17 *oversees the program as a means of addressing two*
18 *important issues; the growing shortage in the construction*
19 *industry of skilled workers and an exceedingly high*
20 *unemployment for US veterans;*

21 *Whereas, VIP participants enroll in accelerated 18-week*
22 *courses in welding or HVAC-R service as both fields are*
23 *experiencing an increased demand for skilled workers;*

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1 *Whereas, VIP participants also earn industry-recognized*
2 *certifications and upon graduation gain direct entry into UA*
3 *apprenticeship, leading to lifelong opportunities; and*

4 *Whereas, Nationally, over 1,500 service men and women*
5 *have completed the VIP program including 16 VIP graduates*
6 *in Indiana: Therefore,*

7 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*
8 *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives*
9 *concurring:*

10 SECTION 1. The General Assembly recognizes and honors
11 the work of the UA and its Indiana Local Unions for their
12 commitment to assisting our veterans with meaningful jobs
13 training and placement ensuring that those who have served our
14 nation valiantly can continue to be productive, working
15 members of society.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs and The Military, to which was referred Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said resolution DO PASS.

(Reference is to SC 4 as introduced.)

DELPH, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0

