

**SENATE CONCURRENT
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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging Governor Holcomb to recognize Indiana Agriculture Literacy Week on February 20th through February 24th, 2017.

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4 *Whereas, Indiana is one of the nation's leading agricultural*
5 *states and benefits from an annual economic impact of more*
6 *than \$31.2 billion generated from agriculture;*

7 *Whereas, Most students today are several generations*
8 *removed from the farm and do not appreciate the importance*
9 *of agriculture nor understand where their food and fiber comes*
10 *from or how it is produced;*

11 *Whereas, It is imperative that we educate students about*
12 *the importance of agriculture to our state and our nation to*
13 *ensure a safe and affordable food supply;*

14 *Whereas, Increased understanding of agriculture allows*
15 *individuals to make informed choices about nutrition and*
16 *health for themselves and their families;*

17 *Whereas, The Indiana agriculture industry is a global*
18 *leader and is committed to recognizing and celebrating the*
19 *contributions of agriculture to our everyday lives, sharing the*
20 *message of how agriculture contributes to our strong economy*
21 *through the production of safe, abundant, and affordable food*
22 *and fiber products, renewable energy, and agricultural career*



1 *opportunities;*

2 *Whereas, Indiana Farm Bureau's Agriculture in the*
3 *Classroom program strives to increase the agricultural literacy*
4 *of all Hoosiers to promote an efficient, productive, and*
5 *environmentally beneficial food and fiber system;*

6 *Whereas, Raising visibility of agriculture to all students in*
7 *Indiana classrooms provides practical context for the world*
8 *surrounding those students;*

9 *Whereas, Reading is an important skill that influences*
10 *success in school and in life and Indiana Agriculture Literacy*
11 *Week promotes reading accurate agriculture books and sparks*
12 *discussions about the importance of Indiana agriculture; and*

13 *Whereas, It is fitting that Indiana should recognize Indiana*
14 *Agriculture Literacy Week on February 20th through February*
15 *24th, 2017: Therefore,*

16 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*
17 *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

18 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly urges
19 Governor Holcomb to recognize Indiana Agriculture Literacy
20 Week on February 20th through February 24th, 2017.

21 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
22 to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Governor Eric Holcomb
23 and Indiana Farm Bureau.

