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1        A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating  
2 Commander Douglas A. Robb, United States Navy, upon his  
3 assumption of command over the guided missile destroyer USS  
4 Spruance (DDG 111).

5        *Whereas, Commander Douglas A. Robb, United States  
6 Navy, was born and raised in West Lafayette, where he lettered  
7 in baseball, captained the debate team to two national  
8 tournaments, and graduated from West Lafayette Senior High  
9 School in 2001;*

10       *Whereas, Commander Robb graduated from the United  
11 States Naval Academy with distinction in 2005 and earned the  
12 American Legion Prize for the highest academic standing  
13 among all political science majors;*

14       *Whereas, Commander Robb earned a master's degree in  
15 national security studies, with honors, from Georgetown  
16 University's Walsh School of Foreign Service and a master's in  
17 national security and strategic studies, with distinction, from  
18 the United States Naval War College in 2012, earning the War  
19 College President's Honor Graduate Award;*

20       *Whereas, Commander Robb served in a variety of  
21 sea-going billets, including as Communications Officer and  
22 Navigator aboard the USS Halsey (DDG 97), Operations  
23 Officer aboard the USS Kidd (DDG 100), and Executive Officer  
24 aboard the USS Spruance (DDG 111), all homeported in San  
25 Diego, California, and as Operations Officer to Commander,  
26 Destroyer Squadron Seven, forward deployed to Singapore;*

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1        *Whereas, Commander Robb served in a variety of staff  
 2 assignments ashore, including as Liaison to the United States  
 3 House of Representatives as part of the Navy's Office of  
 4 Legislative Affairs, as Surface Strike Section Head on the Navy  
 5 Staff's Surface Warfare Division, and as Speechwriter for the  
 6 Chief of Naval Operations;*

7        *Whereas, Commander Robb deployed four times aboard  
 8 naval ships to the Western Pacific, Indian Ocean, and Horn of  
 9 Africa in support of the Global War on Terrorism and other  
 10 national security objectives;*

11        *Whereas, Commander Robb received the United States  
 12 Navy League's Stephen Decatur Award for Operational  
 13 Competence, Junior Shiphandler of the Year Award, and  
 14 Indianapolis Colts Horseshoe Hero Award;*

15        *Whereas, Commander Robb served as an elected member  
 16 of the Surface Navy Association national board of directors and  
 17 co-authored Naval Officer's Guide to the Pentagon, which was  
 18 published by the United States Naval Institute Press in 2019;*

19        *Whereas, Commander Robb's ship is named for four-star  
 20 Admiral Raymond A. Spruance, of the Battle of Midway in June  
 21 1942 that turned the tide of the War in the Pacific, who  
 22 graduated from Shortridge High School in Indianapolis and  
 23 was known colloquially as the "Quiet Warrior"; and*

24        *Whereas, Commander Robb will assume command of the  
 25 USS Spruance (DDG 111) in March 2022 while the ship is  
 26 deployed to the Western Pacific with the USS Abraham Lincoln  
 27 aircraft carrier strike group, joining an unbroken chain of  
 28 commanders at sea who are granted the authority, as well as  
 29 the complete and inescapable responsibility, for the ship and its  
 30 360-person crew: Therefore,*

31        *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly  
 32 of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives  
 33 concurring:*



1           SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly extends  
2           its sincere appreciation to Commander Douglas A. Robb,  
3           United States Navy, for his 17 years of loyal active-duty  
4           service, congratulates him on his new command, and wishes  
5           him fair winds and following seas.

6           SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed  
7           to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Commander Robb and  
8           his family.

