

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing Indiana Arts
Education Day at the Statehouse.

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3 *Whereas, February 18, 2020, is Indiana Arts Education*
4 *Day at the Statehouse, where the Indiana Arts Education*
5 *Network, including a broad cross-section of Indiana*
6 *organizations and leaders, gathers to promote that all Indiana*
7 *students deserve a well-rounded education that includes music*
8 *and the arts;*

9 *Whereas, A representation of Indiana's best and brightest*
10 *music and arts champions attend Indiana Arts Education Day,*
11 *with dozens of honorees from a variety of state and national*
12 *organizations, such as the Educational Theater Association, the*
13 *Indiana Music Educators Association, the Indiana State School*
14 *Music Association, Indiana Thespians, the Jazz Education*
15 *Network, Music for All, the NAMM Foundation, the Percussive*
16 *Arts Society, and more;*

17 *Whereas, The Indiana Arts Education Network,*
18 *collaborating with music and arts education advocates from*
19 *around the state, is committed to ensuring that every Indiana*
20 *student has reliable access to music and arts education;*

21 *Whereas, The Indiana Arts Education Network is dedicated*
22 *to ensuring that every Indiana child reaches their full potential*
23 *so they will be equipped to lead successful lives and help make*
24 *Indiana the best place in the country to live and work;*

25 *Whereas, Students with greater arts participation are more*



likely to come to class, avoid being removed and graduate, as well as demonstrate greater proficiency in mathematics and communication;

Whereas, The skills gained through sequential music instruction, including discipline and the ability to analyze, solve problems, communicate, and work cooperatively, are vital for workplace readiness;

Whereas, Creative drama involvement improves adults' divergent thinking, increasing their fluency and flexibility, thereby increasing their creativity;

Whereas, The values youth obtain from working in the arts that carry over into general learning include critical thinking skills and risk-taking; and

Whereas, The Indiana Arts Education Network is dedicated to serving all Indiana students by supporting their ability to get the well-rounded education, including music and the arts, that they deserve: Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes Indiana Arts Education Day at the Statehouse and the importance of arts education to all young Hoosiers.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Indiana Arts Education Network.

