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2 Walker Mortell on the occasion of her retirement from the
3 Legislative Services Agency.

4 *Whereas, After more than three decades of dedicated*
5 *service to the Indiana General Assembly and the citizens of*
6 *Indiana, Rebecca Walker Mortell is retiring;*

7 *Whereas, During her career of selfless public service, Becky*
8 *has worked for the Legislative Services Agency and served as*
9 *an invaluable friend, mentor, and counselor to her colleagues;*

10 *Whereas, As a student at the Indiana University School of*
11 *Law in Bloomington, Becky studied under F. Reed Dickerson,*
12 *author of "Fundamentals of Legal Drafting," which five*
13 *decades after its publication is still considered one of the*
14 *nation's foremost guides to legislative drafting;*

15 *Whereas, Becky has applied the lessons of Professor*
16 *Dickerson and her own painstaking standards of fairness and*
17 *perfection to her profession throughout her career at the*
18 *Legislative Services Agency;*

19 *Whereas, Becky began her LSA career as a drafting attorney*
20 *in the Office of Bill Drafting and Research, drafting legislation*
21 *and working as staff for legislative committees;*

22 *Whereas, Becky later transferred to the Office of Code*
23 *Revision, where she has played an invaluable role for the*
24 *agency in her dedicated service and long hours in reviewing,*
25 *refining, and clarifying draft legislation, sometimes working*



1 *through the night to meet the needs of the next day's legislative*
2 *session;*

3 *Whereas, Becky has served as the Deputy Director of the*
4 *Office of Code Revision for more than 20 years, helping to lead*
5 *the office through legislative sessions and interim publication*
6 *of the Indiana Code, including several recodification projects;*

7 *Whereas, Becky's keen knowledge of state law and unmatched*
8 *attention to detail have been key factors through the years in*
9 *making the Indiana Code one of the nation's best organized and*
10 *most accessible to the legal profession and the public; and*

11 *Whereas, Even though Rebecca Walker Mortell will be*
12 *leaving the Legislative Services Agency for the joys of*
13 *retirement and more time with her family, she will be greatly*
14 *missed by all her colleagues at the Legislative Services Agency:*
15 *Therefore,*

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

19 SECTION 1. The Indiana General Assembly thanks Rebecca
20 Walker Mortell for her years of dedicated service to the Indiana
21 General Assembly and wishes her a long, happy, and healthy
22 retirement.

23 SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby
24 directed to transmit copies of this resolution to Rebecca Walker
25 Mortell and her family.

