

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION commemorating the Indianapolis Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated.

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SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION commemorating the
2 Indianapolis Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated.

3 *Whereas, The late Marion Stubbs Thomas founded Jack*
4 *and Jill of America, Incorporated on January 24, 1938, in*
5 *Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;*

6 *Whereas, Twenty mothers came together to discuss*
7 *creating an organization to provide social, cultural and*
8 *educational opportunities for African American youth*
9 *between the ages of two and nineteen;*

10 *Whereas, In 1946, ten chapters were involved in the*
11 *national restructuring process whereby a Constitution and*
12 *bylaws were drawn up and the organization was*
13 *incorporated under the laws of the state of Delaware;*

14 *Whereas, The Indianapolis Provisional Chapter of Jack*
15 *and Jill of America held its first organized meeting at the*
16 *home of acting chairman Mrs. Mary Hawkins on April 3,*
17 *1951;*

18 *Whereas, Dr. Alberta Turner, assisted by Mrs. Miriam*



1 *Fountain of Pittsburgh, who sponsored the Indianapolis*
 2 *Chapter, installed the provisional chapter at a regular*
 3 *chapter meeting on September 8, 1951, at the residence of*
 4 *Dr. & Mrs. Fred Evans;*

5 *Whereas, The Indianapolis Chapter was the 33rd chapter*
 6 *of Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated and the 7th chapter*
 7 *of the Mid-Western Region;*

8 *Whereas, The first Executive Board included Mary*
 9 *Hawkins, President; Shirley Evans, Vice President; Ruby*
 10 *Leah Thomas, Recording Secretary; and Flora DeFrantz,*
 11 *Treasurer; and the other Charter members included Ruth*
 12 *Bell, Fannie Blackburn, Sarah Daniels, former Indiana*
 13 *State Legislator, Dr. Daisy Lloyd, Margaret Mackey, Wilma*
 14 *Sims, and Osma Spurlock;*

15 *Whereas, Today the Indianapolis Chapter of Jack and*
 16 *Jill of America, Incorporated boasts 71 wonderful and*
 17 *engaged mother members, 133 intelligent children, 39 future*
 18 *leaders who are teens, 67 active and supportive fathers, 5*
 19 *active associate members, and 13 life members;*

20 *Whereas, Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated has*
 21 *over 220 chapters nationwide, representing over 30,000*
 22 *family members with each chapter engaged in annual*
 23 *programming activities guided under a national theme; and*

24 *Whereas, Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated remains*
 25 *a viable, relevant organization for African American youth*
 26 *that stimulates positive growth and development through*
 27 *social, cultural and educational opportunities: Therefore,*

28 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
 29 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

30 SECTION 1. That it is fitting and proper that the



1 Indianapolis Chapter of Jack and Jill of America,
2 Incorporated be recognized as an historic African American
3 organization that continues to benefit African American
4 youth through social, cultural and educational endeavors.

5 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby
6 directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the
7 Indianapolis Chapter of Jack and Jill of America,
8 Incorporated.

