

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION memorializing Charles E. Rice,
former Marine, University of Notre Dame Professor of Law,
and loving father and husband.

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION memorializing Charles E.
2 Rice, former Marine, University of Notre Dame Professor of
3 Law, and loving father and husband.

4 *Whereas, Charles E. Rice was born August 7, 1931, in*
5 *Manhattan, New York, and observed from an early age his*
6 *father Laurence's work with local Irish-American and Catholic*
7 *organizations, which inspired much of his work later in life;*

8 *Whereas, Charles served honorably in the Marine Corps*
9 *Reserve, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel, and went on to earn*
10 *his B.A. from the College of the Holy Cross, his J.D. from*
11 *Boston College Law School, and his LL.M. and J.S.D. from*
12 *New York University, the University's most advanced law*
13 *degree, in addition to his later honorary doctoral degrees;*

14 *Whereas, Following several years of practice in New York*
15 *and teaching at New York University Law School and Fordham*
16 *Law School, Charles and his beloved wife Mary moved to*
17 *Indiana for Charles to serve as a Professor of Law at the*
18 *University of Notre Dame;*

19 *Whereas, Charles quickly became a foundational pillar of*



1 *the University, known for his academically daunting but*
2 *entertaining classes and for his deep care and concern for his*
3 *students;*

4 *Whereas, Beyond his love for teaching, Charles was a*
5 *renowned academic and noted expert in Natural Law who*
6 *published thirteen books and numerous articles; was an editor*
7 *of the American Journal of Jurisprudence; and notably served*
8 *as a consultant to the United States Commission on Civil*
9 *Rights;*

10 *Whereas, Charles was also a man of deep faith, advocating*
11 *for the respect and dignity of life from conception to natural*
12 *death and speaking to parishes across the county frequently;*

13 *Whereas, His pugnacious and good-hearted nature was*
14 *exemplified by his involvement in the Holy Cross Mission in*
15 *Bangladesh through the University's Bengal Bouts, a boxing*
16 *tournament that raised funds for the mission; and*

17 *Whereas, Charles was a devoted husband to Mary, a loving*
18 *father to eleven children, a grandfather to forty-four*
19 *grandchildren, and an overall humble man but one of*
20 *extraordinary achievements who will be missed by so many:*
21 *Therefore,*

22 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
23 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

24 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate memorializes the full and
25 honorable life of Charles E. Rice.

26 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
27 transmit copies of this Resolution to Charles' wife Mary; their children,
28 John, Mary, Anne, Joseph, Charlie, Jeanne, Theresa, Kathleen, Ellen,
29 Patricia, and Mung; and to the President of the University of Notre
30 Dame, Reverend John I. Jenkins.

