

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION congratulating the Caston Elementary School robotics teams on qualifying for the 2017 VEX IQ World Robotics Championship.

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SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION congratulating the Caston
2 Elementary School robotics teams on qualifying for the 2017
3 VEX IQ World Robotics Championship.

4 *Whereas, Two Caston Elementary School robotics teams,*
5 *the "RoboComets" and the "MegaComets," qualified for the*
6 *VEX IQ World Robotics Championship that will take place*
7 *from April 23 to April 25, 2017, in Louisville, Kentucky;*

8 *Whereas, At the World Championship, the Caston*
9 *Elementary School robotics teams will compete against schools*
10 *from the United States, Spain, China, Japan, and Australia;*

11 *Whereas, Caston Elementary School received a grant to*
12 *purchase and start up a VEX robotics team, as did several*
13 *other elementary schools in the area. Though they started as*
14 *rookie robotics creators just a few months ago, the students*
15 *now know how to write computer code and understand the*
16 *mechanical workings on robots;*

17 *Whereas, The robotics club students have learned*
18 *teamwork, problem-solving, as well as science, technology,*
19 *engineering and math skills, commonly referred to as STEM;*



1 *Whereas, The Caston Elementary School robotics teams*
2 *are coached by 5th grade teacher Teresa Button, retired Caston*
3 *High School math teacher Bob Uhrich, and Roger Byrum, a*
4 *parent and engineer;*

5 *Whereas, On Saturday, January 21, 2017, Caston's teams*
6 *competed against 14 other teams from the area and placed first*
7 *in both categories of the competition, "programming and*
8 *skills" and "team collaboration." This performance qualified*
9 *the teams for the state competition in February 2017;*

10 *Whereas, At the state competition in February 2017, the*
11 *Caston robotics teams thrived once more and qualified for the*
12 *World Championship - an amazing feat for a rookie robotics*
13 *team;*

14 *Whereas, Students on the Caston Elementary School*
15 *robotics teams say that the robotics program has given them*
16 *confidence, helped their social skills, ignited their interests in*
17 *math and science, and has even inspired some of them to be*
18 *engineers some day; and*

19 *Whereas, It is fitting that the Indiana Senate congratulates*
20 *the Caston Elementary School robotics teams on qualifying for*
21 *the VEXIQ World Robotics Championship and wishes them the*
22 *best of luck in the World Championship and all their future*
23 *endeavors: Therefore,*

24 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
25 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

26 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate congratulates the
27 Caston Elementary School robotics teams on qualifying for the
28 VEX IQ World Robotics Championship and wishes them the
29 best of luck in the World Championship and all their future
30 endeavors.

31 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed



1 to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Cindy Douglass,
2 Superintendent of Caston Schools, Katie Miller, Principal of
3 Caston Elementary School, Teresa Button, Bob Uhrich, and
4 Roger Byrum, coaches of the Caston Elementary School
5 robotics teams, and each member of the Caston "RoboComets"
6 and "MegaComets" robotics teams.

