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4           for his contributions to Austin, Indiana; Scott County; and all  
5           Hoosiers.

6           *Whereas, Dr. Will Cooke was born and raised in Southern*  
7           *Indiana and recognized his calling to become a doctor at the*  
8           *age of 16;*

9           *Whereas, Dr. Cooke received his undergraduate degrees at*  
10          *Indiana University Southeast in New Albany, Indiana, and*  
11          *graduated from the IU School of Medicine in Indianapolis,*  
12          *Indiana, in 2001;*

13          *Whereas, Dr. Cooke opened his practice, Foundations Family*  
14          *Medicine, in Austin, Indiana, a small town in Scott County;*

15          *Whereas, Dr. Cooke has served most of his time in the*  
16          *community as the only physician in a town that was hit hard by*  
17          *the 2008 recession and that later became "ground zero" for the*  
18          *worst drug related HIV outbreak in U.S. history, according to*  
19          *the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;*

20          *Whereas, Dr. Cooke has volunteered his time, service, and*  
21          *talent as a compassionate and capable family physician to*  
22          *support Hoosiers in Austin, Indiana, and Scott County;*

23          *Whereas, Dr. Cooke helped build and spearhead programs to*  
24          *provide support networks across Scott County to curtail*  
25          *addiction and address the HIV and hepatitis C outbreaks*



1     *crippling the community; and*

2             *Whereas, Dr. Cooke has become a pillar of Scott County and*  
3     *a champion for all Hoosiers in need of care and compassion:*  
4     *Therefore,*

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

8             SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes  
9     and congratulates Dr. Will Cooke on receiving the American  
10    Academy of Family Physicians' 2019 Family Physician of the  
11    Year Award for his contributions to Austin, Indiana; Scott  
12    County; and all Hoosiers.

13            SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House shall  
14    transmit a copy of the resolution to Dr. Will Cooke at  
15    Foundations Family Medicine in Austin, Indiana.

