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1           A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the Cedar  
2 Lake Historical Association Museum.

3           *Whereas, It is the mission of the Cedar Lake Historical*  
4 *Association to present the relevance of Cedar Lake history and*  
5 *its unique culture;*

6           *Whereas, The Association's museum, located at 7408*  
7 *Constitution Avenue in Cedar Lake, is the clearest example of*  
8 *this preservation, with its rich history in the community;*

9           *Whereas, The east wing of the museum, constructed in 1890,*  
10 *once sat at the northwest Cedar Lake shoreline and was known*  
11 *as the Armour Bros. Hotel in Armour Town, Indiana, a pioneer*  
12 *village of Cedar Lake;*

13           *Whereas, An ice harvesting labor force, brought via the*  
14 *MONON railroad, lodged there in the cold winters of Northern*  
15 *Indiana until 1919;*

16           *Whereas, Mr. Chris Lassen purchased the abandoned hotel*  
17 *in 1919 and had it moved over the deeply frozen lake to his*  
18 *thriving resort property on the eastern shore;*

19           *Whereas, Lassen added the lakeside wing in addition to a*  
20 *spacious wrap-around porch to take advantage of magnificent*  
21 *lake views, and the 65-room Lassen's Resort Hotel opened on*  
22 *May 7, 1921;*

23           *Whereas, Ms. Beatrice Ewer Horner-Castrogiovanni and 19*  
24 *concerned citizens held an organizational meeting to form the*



1 *Cedar Lake Historical Association on July 16, 1977, largely in*  
2 *part to save the old Lassen's Resort Hotel;*

3 *Whereas, It was Horner-Castrogiovanni's dream and*  
4 *aspiration to transform the hotel into a local history museum,*  
5 *and the Cedar Lake Historical Association was incorporated on*  
6 *September 22, 1977;*

7 *Whereas, she was installed as the association historian and*  
8 *worked diligently to have Lassen's Resort Hotel placed on the*  
9 *state and national registries;*

10 *Whereas, Horner-Castrogiovanni achieved both in short*  
11 *order, and the property was listed on the Indiana State Register*  
12 *of Historic Sites and Structures on July 23, 1980, and was*  
13 *added to the National Register of Historic Places on July 7,*  
14 *1981;*

15 *Whereas, she explained, "If you are to disregard the*  
16 *foundation of the past, you can't build for the future";*

17 *Whereas, Horner-Castrogiovanni realized her dream at the*  
18 *ribbon cutting ceremony that celebrated the opening of the*  
19 *Lassen's Resort Hotel as the Lake of the Red Cedars museum*  
20 *on October 16, 1986;*

21 *Whereas, The innovation, vision, and determination of the*  
22 *citizens that have come before repeatedly transformed the*  
23 *building and the Cedar Lake community itself. As the*  
24 *association prepares to reinvent the building once again as a*  
25 *living history attraction, it will spark economic development in*  
26 *Cedar Lake;*

27 *Whereas, Guests are encouraged to discover the same*  
28 *magnificent view of these waters while developing an*  
29 *appreciation for the collaborative efforts of hundreds of*  
30 *volunteers who have worked tirelessly to protect, preserve, and*  
31 *restore the building, which not only acts as a monument but*  
32 *also as an experience that improves the quality of life for Cedar*  
33 *Lake citizens;*

34 *Whereas, The town of Cedar Lake established May 7th as*  
35 *Beatrice Ewer Horner-Castrogiovanni Legacy Day; and*



1       *Whereas, The residents of Cedar Lake celebrate the opening*  
2       *of this new historical experience on May 7, 2021, also marking*  
3       *the centennial of the grand opening of the Lassen's Resort*  
4       *Hotel: 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 commends  
9       the Cedar Lake Historical Association and the many volunteers  
10      who protect and preserve the history of the Cedar Lake  
11      community and the historic Lassen's Resort Hotel.

12      SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
13      Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to the  
14      office of State Representative Michael Aylesworth for  
15      distribution.

