

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_

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1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION urging the Indiana 2 Congressional delegation to support the Susan Muffley Act.

Whereas, The Susan Muffley Act is bipartisan legislation that seeks to restore the full vested monthly benefits for eligible participants of certain pension plans that were sponsored by Delphi Corporation and terminated as a result of General Motors' bankruptcy in 2009;

Whereas, Delphi Corporation was the largest domestic automobile parts manufacturer of its time and was responsible for transformative innovation, such as the self-starting engine, ring terminal, radio with mechanical push-button presets, and safety power steering, with General Motors accounting for the majority of its sales and profit;

14 Whereas, Many companies unwillingly filed for bankruptcy

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as a result of the Great Recession, the biggest global economic 1 downturn since the Great Depression, which devastated world 2 3 financial markets as well as the banking and real estate industries during the late 2000s; 4 Whereas, During this time, the United States Pension Benefit 5 6 Guaranty Corporation assumed responsibility for terminated benefits nationwide, including those of General Motors, but 7 only paid affected individuals up to a statutory maximum 8 benefit, which for many fell far below what they would have 9 received under previous benefit plans; 10 Whereas, Over 21,000 Delphi Corporation salaried retirees, 11 including more than 4,000 Hoosiers, experienced unexpected 12 and significant losses to their benefits; 13 14 Whereas, On July 12, 2023, Senators Sherrod Brown and Mike Braun filed S.2277, now named after Susan Muffley of 15 Russiaville, Indiana, the spouse of a Delphi employee affected 16 by General Motors' bankruptcy who was inspired by her 17 family's inability to afford medical care and fought tirelessly as 18 a core leader of the Delphi Salaried Retirees Association for 19 the restoration of lost benefits nationwide until her passing in 20 2012; and 21 22 Whereas, Enactment of the Susan Muffley Act would recognize the hardships experienced by Delphi Corporation 23 salaried retirees nationwide and rectify the financial losses 24 which have plagued them for over a decade: Therefore, 25 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the 26 General Assembly of the State of Indiana: 27 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives 28 urges the Indiana Congressional delegation to support the Susan 29 Muffley Act. 30 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of 31 Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to the 32 Indiana Congressional delegation. 33

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