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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION supporting the use of "sound science" in evaluating crop protection chemistries and nutrients.

Whereas, A sustainable agricultural system in the United States is critical to the continued production of food, feed, and fiber to meet both domestic and global demands;

Whereas, The treatment, prevention, and control of agricultural pests is critically important to the health and welfare of our residents and the safety of our global food, feed, and fiber supply;

Whereas, The availability of modern agricultural technologies such as precision farming equipment, crop protection chemistries, genetically engineered or enhanced

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traits, and agricultural nutrients are critically important tools that allow farmers to expand yields, reduce environmental impacts, improve profitability, and provide a safe, healthy, abundant, and affordable food supply;

Whereas, The agriculture and food production industries have a long history of success and safety in protecting and further enhancing the food, feed, and fiber supply of Indiana residents and the world;

Whereas, The agriculture industry is recognized as an important contributor to the economic vitality of Indiana through jobs, capital investment, farm income, value added sectors, and contributions to the state's tax base;

Whereas, The crop protection industry is among the most studied and regulated of all industries at both the state and federal levels;

Whereas, The continued success of these industries and our nation's position as a world leader in crop protection chemistries, genetically engineered or enhanced traits, and nutrients depends on state and federal regulators utilizing science based data to assess both product and ingredient safety; and

Whereas, Sound science rather than the "precautionary principle" should be the bedrock of our nation's regulatory scheme: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives supports
- 2 the use of science based data to assess the effects and the regulation of
- 3 modern agricultural technologies, including but not limited to, crop
- 4 protection chemistries, genetically engineered or enhanced traits, and
- 5 nutrients.
- 6 SECTION 2. That the Indiana House of Representatives opposes
- 7 legislative or regulatory action, whether at the federal, state, or local
- 8 level, that may result in unnecessary restrictions on the use of modern
- 9 agricultural technologies, including but not limited to, crop protection
- 10 chemistries, genetically engineered or enhanced traits, and nutrients



1 that are not based on sound science.

2 SECTION 3. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
3 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to each member of
4 Indiana's congressional delegation.

