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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION congratulating and honoring
2 Ms. Tatum Parker, a 2019 Top Youth Volunteer of Indiana.
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4 *Whereas, The annual Prudential Spirit of the Community*
5 *Awards program recognized Ms. Tatum Parker of Indianapolis*
6 *as a Top Youth Volunteer in Indiana for 2019;*

7 *Whereas, 29,000 young people across the country*
8 *participated in the 2019 program;*

9 *Whereas, Ms. Parker was diagnosed with Ewing's sarcoma,*
10 *a rare cancer, when she was six years old;*

11 *Whereas, Ms. Parker underwent surgery and treatments over*
12 *the next two years to become cancer free, and it was after this*
13 *ordeal that Ms. Parker, with the support of family and friends,*

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1 *began the Tatum Parker Project in 2008;*

2 *Whereas, Ms. Parker is now a senior at North Central High*
3 *School in Indianapolis and has successfully delivered nearly*
4 *3,000 "Bags of Fun" that carry more than \$350 worth of fun*
5 *and engaging items to every child in Indiana diagnosed with*
6 *cancer since the project began;*

7 *Whereas, The Tatum Parker Project continues its mission to*
8 *bring more hope to children with cancer, and to raise*
9 *awareness of and bring financial support to pediatric cancer*
10 *research;*

11 *Whereas, The Prudential Spirit of the Community Awards*
12 *program was created in 1995 by Prudential Financial in*
13 *partnership with the National Association of Secondary School*
14 *Principals, and is designed to emphasize the importance of*
15 *volunteerism and service to the community;*

16 *Whereas, Ms. Parker represents the best of America's youth,*
17 *and is a role model to her peers and fellow Hoosiers;*

18 *Whereas, Ms. Parker will receive a \$1,000 award, an*
19 *engraved silver medallion, and a trip to Washington, D.C., as*
20 *one of two award winners from Indiana; and*

21 *Whereas, Ms. Parker will be considered for one of 10*
22 *national awards that would provide her with an additional*
23 *\$5,000 award and a \$5,000 grant from the Prudential*
24 *Foundation to a charitable organization of her choice:*
25 *Therefore,*

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

28 SECTION 1. That the House of Representatives
29 congratulates Ms. Tatum Parker as a 2019 Top Youth Volunteer
30 and State Honoree in the Prudential Spirit of the Community
31 Awards program.

32 SECTION 2. That the House of Representatives honors Ms.
33 Parker for her contributions to support children during their
34 fight with cancer, and for her efforts to raise awareness of



1 pediatric cancers impacting children every day.
2 SECTION 3. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
3 Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to Ms. Tatum
4 Parker and her family.

