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Second Regular Session 123rd General Assembly (2024)

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2	University County Ambassador Program and the inaugural
3	cohort of student ambassadors.

4 Whereas, Ball State University serves nearly 20,000 5 students and more than 200,000 alumni with their mission to 6 "engage students in educational, research, and creative 7 endeavors that empower our graduates to have fulfilling 8 careers and meaningful lives enriched by lifelong learning and 9 service, while we enhance the economic, environmental, and 10 social vitality of our community, our state, and our world";

Whereas, Hoosiers make up nearly 90 percent of Ball
State's undergraduate students and recent data reported that 78
percent of the graduating class of 2022 chose to remain in
Indiana following graduation;

15 Whereas, In 2022, Ball State created the Office of 16 Government Relations and Industry Engagement to ensure all 17 communities and organizations are able to access the 18 university's talent pipeline;

Whereas, On March 6, 2023, Ball State unveiled a new
County Ambassador Program, a student-to-student engagement
initiative that provides all 92 Indiana counties the opportunity
to attract Ball State graduates upon the completion of their
degrees;

24 *Whereas, Through the Program, individual counties may* 25 *identify and appoint a current student to serve as a non-paid*



1 volunteer ambassador to represent their county and promote

the assets, quality of life, and career opportunities in their
individual communities;

Whereas, Ambassadors receive entrepreneurial training on
practices and parameters of campus promotion, the importance
of promoting quality of place to sustain Indiana communities,
and ways to best engage with and encourage peers to recognize
post-graduation opportunities within the counties they
represent;

Whereas, The inaugural cohort of the Ball State County
Ambassador Program began their terms in the Fall 2023
semester and have proven exemplary representations of their
home counties and Ball State's enduring values of excellence,
innovation, courage, and integrity;

Whereas, Volunteer ambassadors for the 2023-2024 school
year include Samuel P. Adams, Katie Blessinger, Colin Brown,
Jacksen Cole, Emma Eubank, Ella Flanagan, Titus Hill,
Harrison Hopkins, Kaylon Hunsley, Lexie Huys, Layla Jones,
Bryce Pennington, Isaac Rogers, Camryn Ryan, Ann Marie
Susong, and Allie Townsend; and

Whereas, The county ambassadors represent fourteen
counties including Allen, Boone, DeKalb, Delaware, Elkhart,
Gibson, Grant, Hamilton, LaGrange, Madison, Marion, Porter,

- 24 Spencer, and Wayne: Therefore;
- Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly
 of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives
 concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly honors the
 Ball State University County Ambassador Program and its
 inaugural cohort of student ambassadors.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
 to transmit copies of this Resolution to Ball State University
 President Geoffrey S. Mearns.

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