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1           A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Kevin  
2 Brinegar upon his retirement from the Indiana Chamber.

3           *Whereas, Kevin Brinegar was born and raised in*  
4 *Bloomington, Indiana, where he became interested in business*  
5 *operations while working on cars and tending the cash register*  
6 *from the inside of his father's Union 76, and later Mobile,*  
7 *gasoline service station;*

8           *Whereas, After graduating from high school, Kevin*  
9 *remained in Bloomington, where he earned a bachelor's degree*  
10 *in forensic studies from Indiana University (IU) in 1979 and a*  
11 *master of public affairs from the IU School of Public and*  
12 *Environmental Affairs (SPEA) in 1981;*

13           *Whereas, Upon graduating from IU, Kevin served for nine*  
14 *years as a fiscal analyst for the Indiana Senate Finance*  
15 *Committee, working with State Senators Larry Borst and*  
16 *Morris Mills on various bills, including the A+ Program to*  
17 *improve the state's education quality and standards and the*  
18 *creation of the Indiana Tax Court, and later worked for three*  
19 *years as a management analyst for the Legislative Services*  
20 *Agency;*

21           *Whereas, While working within state government, Kevin*  
22 *continued his education at Indiana University-Purdue*  
23 *University Indianapolis, where he obtained a master's degree*  
24 *in business administration with a major in corporate finance in*  
25 *1992;*



1           *Whereas, In November 1992, Kevin left state government*  
2 *to join the government affairs team at the Indiana Chamber,*  
3 *being promoted to senior vice president of government affairs*  
4 *in 1997, and ultimately replaced Christopher LaMothe as*  
5 *president and CEO in March 2002;*

6           *Whereas, As a leader at the Indiana Chamber, Kevin has*  
7 *grown the organization to be a true champion of free enterprise*  
8 *and the go-to resource to reach employers and help them*  
9 *succeed, while expanding the Chamber to encompass eight*  
10 *legal entities, including a political action committee,*  
11 *foundation, two for-profit subsidiaries, and several 501(c)(3)*  
12 *organizations, including the Wellness Council of Indiana and*  
13 *the Institute for Workforce Excellence;*

14           *Whereas, Kevin was instrumental in producing a record*  
15 *\$4.1 billion return for businesses through lessening the*  
16 *corporate tax rate and other business taxes while reducing*  
17 *cumbersome regulations, pushing initiatives to improve our*  
18 *state's standing across the national and global business*  
19 *community, and developing a paper entitled "Indiana's Leaking*  
20 *Talent Pipeline" to help better prepare and provide*  
21 *opportunities for young students following high school;*

22           *Whereas, Kevin and the Indiana Chamber have worked to*  
23 *produce multiple long-range strategic vision plans and*  
24 *playbooks for the Hoosier state that have spanned the tenures*  
25 *of several governors and various legislatures over multiple*  
26 *decades, serving to provide consistency for elected officials and*  
27 *stakeholders, and ultimately helping the Indiana Chamber be*  
28 *named the 2023 State Chamber of the Year;*

29           *Whereas, Outside of his work with the Indiana Chamber,*  
30 *Kevin has served on the Council of State Chambers Executive*  
31 *Committee, the Indiana Legal Foundation Board, the*  
32 *distinguished alumni councils for the IU Kelly School of*  
33 *Business and SPEA, the Indiana Commerce Executives*  
34 *Association, the Indiana Business Associations Executives*  
35 *Coalition, as chairman of the board for Hoosier Voices for I-*  
36 *69, and is a former three-term member and president of the*



1        *Noblesville School Board;*

2                *Whereas, Kevin has also been appointed to multiple entities*  
3 *including Indiana's Education Roundtable, the Revenue*  
4 *Forecast Committee, the Indiana Career Council, the Citizens*  
5 *Commission on Taxes, and the Government Efficiency*  
6 *Commission;*

7                *Whereas, For his years of service and dedication, Kevin is*  
8 *a two-time recipient of the Sagamore of the Wabash, the state's*  
9 *highest public service honor;*

10               *Whereas, After spending more than 30 years promoting*  
11 *prosperity and economic opportunities with the Indiana*  
12 *Chamber, and 21 years at the helm, Kevin officially retired on*  
13 *January 5, 2024; and*

14               *Whereas, Kevin's experience, expertise, and leadership*  
15 *within the business sector will be greatly missed within the*  
16 *Indiana Senate and across the Hoosier state: Therefore,*

17               *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*  
18 *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives*  
19 *concurring:*

20               SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly honors  
21 Kevin Brinegar upon his retirement from the Indiana Chamber.

22               SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed  
23 to transmit copies of this Resolution to Kevin Brinegar.

