



First Regular Session 123rd General Assembly (2023)

SENATE RESOLUTION ____

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1	A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing Consuelo Poland
2	Lockhart for receiving a 10,000 dollar grant from Mars, Inc. for
3	their "Flipping the Status Quo" program in gender occupational
4	stereotypes.
5	Whereas, Consuelo Poland Lockhart, born in Guatemala
6	on October 13, 1988, was adopted at the age of 3 and raised in
7	Traverse City, Michigan;
8	Whereas, Consuelo Poland Lockhart graduated from
9	Kendall College of Art and Design with a degree in Functional
10	Art, received a certificate in Welding/Fabricating from Grand
l 1	Rapids Community College, and earned a Latino Leadership
12	Initiative certificate from Ferris State University;
13	Whereas, Consuelo Poland Lockhart resides in
14	Indianapolis, Indiana, with her husband, Peter Lockhart, and
15	their dog and cat, Daryl and Chucho;
16	Whereas, Taking on a variety of creative and design jobs,
17	such as upholstery, welding, woodworking, finishing, faux
18	finishing, and gilding, Consuelo Poland Lockhart has proved
19	herself excentionally talented in her craft and tributes her



1 success to her welding peer, Charles House;

Whereas, Inspired by her father, Willis Poland, an educator who always sought to advocate for those most in need, Consuelo Poland Lockhart is committed to serve others by creating opportunities for women and minorities in her community and by making a difference not only in Indiana but in Guatemala and other Latin countries:

Whereas, After moving to Indianapolis in 2016, Consuelo Poland Lockhart directed RUCKUS Makerspace, a communal workshop for startups, small businesses, and low- to moderate-income makers, artists, and entrepreneurs;

Whereas, Recognizing the career opportunities in her field, Consuelo Poland Lockhart looks to impart her skills and passion to young Hoosiers by engaging in various youth programs and lending her expertise to welding courses at Arsenal Technical High School and Ivy Tech Community College;

Whereas, In October 2017, Consuelo Poland Lockhart founded the Latinas Welding Guild, a nonprofit organization that partners with local community groups to offer welding training and job placement for women so that they may become mentors, community leaders, and educators that will empower the Latino community and all women in Central Indiana;

Whereas, In a field where 96 percent of certified welders are male, and the income disparity between male and female welders is 28 percent, the Latinas Welding Guild upholds a mission of creating barrierless education and the advancement of women in a field that has traditionally been less accessible to them: and

Whereas, In recognition of her remarkable efforts to reverse gender occupational stereotypes, Consuelo Poland Lockhart was awarded a 10,000 dollar grant from Mars, Inc.



1	for their "Flipping the Status Quo" program to be used by the
2	Latinas Welding Guild in their objective of helping low- to
3	moderate-income Latinas and non-Latina women gain access
4	to welding skills and prepare for certification: Therefore,
5	Be it resolved by the Senate of the
6	General Assembly of the State of Indiana:
7	SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate honors Consuelo
8	Poland Lockhart and recognizes her work through the Latinas
9	Welding Guild in creating economic opportunities for Hoosiers
10	and empowering women to break barriers in occupying roles
11	they have been traditionally denied.
12	SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
13	to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Consuelo Poland
14	Lockhart.

