

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring Chuck Crabb upon his retirement from Indiana University.

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring Chuck Crabb upon
2 his retirement from Indiana University.

3 *Whereas, Chuck Crabb, a 1969 graduate of Brazil High*
4 *School and 1973 journalism graduate of Indiana University*
5 *(IU), began working at Simon Skjodt Assembly Hall during the*
6 *inaugural 1971-1972 basketball season;*

7 *Whereas, While in Bloomington, Chuck worked at the IU*
8 *sports information office and then at the Bloomington Daily*
9 *Herald-Telephone newspaper for four years;*

10 *Whereas, After graduating from IU in 1973, Chuck worked*
11 *briefly as managing editor at The Brazil Times and for The*
12 *Terre Haute Tribune while volunteering to assist with media*
13 *relations during IU basketball games until he returned to*
14 *Bloomington permanently in 1976 after being hired by IU's*
15 *Varsity Club;*

16 *Whereas, In 1977, Chuck was hired to be the voice of IU*
17 *Athletics following the retirement of Bert Laws from the*
18 *position after 41 years;*

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1 *Whereas, In his career, Chuck has been the announcer for*
2 *more than 850 men's basketball games, 400 women's basketball*
3 *games, football, women's soccer, women's track and field*
4 *events, and the voice of the Little 500 for 42 years;*

5 *Whereas, Chuck was a staple during many of the major*
6 *events taking place at Assembly Hall, including all 29 years*
7 *coached by Bob Knight, when the Hoosiers won the Big Ten in*
8 *overtime in 1980, the buzzer-beater against Kentucky in 2011,*
9 *and the most recent win over Purdue University on January 20,*
10 *2022;*

11 *Whereas, Away from his duties at IU, Chuck was involved*
12 *in marquee athletic events on the national and international*
13 *stages, including as the interview room manager at the Main*
14 *Press Center during the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles,*
15 *competition producer for track and field during the 1996*
16 *Olympic Games in Atlanta, public address announcer at the*
17 *1994 Men's World Cup and 1999 Women's World Cup, and*
18 *assisting at track and field events for past Pan American*
19 *Games, U.S. Sports Festivals, U.S. Olympic Festivals, U.S.*
20 *National Track and Field Championships, and U.S. Track and*
21 *Field Olympic Trials;*

22 *Whereas, In addition to his announcing duties, Chuck*
23 *worked in a variety of areas and capacities throughout his*
24 *career with IU athletics, most recently serving 32 years as the*
25 *Associate Athletic Director for Facilities;*

26 *Whereas, Chuck's work responsibilities included facilities*
27 *management, game day and external operations, marketing,*
28 *fund-raising, event services, and assisting in operating IU's*
29 *various spirit and competitive cheerleading squads, pom squad,*
30 *and band;*

31 *Whereas, For his invaluable contributions to IU and the*
32 *world of athletics, Chuck has been a recipient of the Jerry F.*
33 *Tardy Pride of Indiana Award, the IU Foundation President's*



1 *Medallion, and the Indiana University Bicentennial Medal;*

2 *Whereas, Chuck announced his retirement from being the*
3 *public address announcer and Associate Athletic Director for*
4 *Facilities on January 31, 2022, after 45 years of service;*

5 *Whereas, Upon his retirement, Chuck plans to spend more*
6 *time with his wife of 44 years, Madeline, at their home in*
7 *Englewood, Florida, but also plans to take a piece of Indiana*
8 *University with him in his heart; and*

9 *Whereas, Chuck's love for the Cream and Crimson,*
10 *effortless class, trademark catchphrases, and ability to say the*
11 *most with the least will be greatly missed by the staff, students,*
12 *alumni, and fans of Indiana University athletics: Therefore,*

13 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
14 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

15 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate honors Chuck Crabb
16 upon his retirement from Indiana University and thanks him for
17 being an integral part of the Indiana University game day
18 environment for 45 years.

19 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
20 to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Chuck Crabb and his
21 wife, Madeline.

