

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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the city of South Bend on its 150th anniversary.

**BRODEN, ARNOLD J, ZAKAS,
MISHLER**

_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



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2 honoring the city of South Bend on its 150th anniversary.

3 *Whereas, South Bend, Indiana was platted and named the*
4 *county seat in 1831, incorporated in 1835, and chartered in*
5 *1865;*

6 *Whereas, Native American tribes originally occupied the*
7 *area for the rich food and natural resources found along the St.*
8 *Joseph river;*

9 *Whereas, In 1820, Pierre Navarre was the first European*
10 *to permanently settle in the area. Navarre trapped and traded*
11 *furs and opened a standing trading post;*

12 *Whereas, In 1842, Father Edward Sorin reached South*
13 *Bend to found the University of Notre Dame. Father Sorin had*
14 *been given 600 acres to found a college for seminary and*
15 *secular students;*

16 *Whereas, In 1865, South Bend was incorporated as a city,*
17 *and William G. George was elected as South Bend's first*
18 *mayor;*

19 *Whereas, The latter half of the 19th century saw South Bend*
20 *gain a telephone exchange, the first electric streetcar system in*
21 *the United States, brick paved streets, and various businesses,*



1 *including manufacturing;*

2 *Whereas, The 20th century saw continued growth for South*
3 *Bend. In 1900, the population of South Bend had reached*
4 *35,999. By 1960, the population had reached 132,445;*

5 *Whereas, The 1920s, 1930s, and 1940s saw industry boom*
6 *in South Bend. As the 20th century wore on, the city went*
7 *through a period of urban renewal during the 1960s and 1970s.*
8 *Currently, South Bend is reinventing itself to attract a talented*
9 *workforce and develop more jobs; and*

10 *Whereas, As South Bend moves forward, the city embarks*
11 *on a new era in its storied history: Therefore,*

12 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*
13 *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

14 SECTION 1. That the General Assembly recognizes and honors
15 the city of South Bend, Indiana, on the occasion of its 150th
16 anniversary.

17 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
18 transmit a copy of this Resolution to the city of South Bend.

