

**SENATE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_**

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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION congratulating Bremen Castings, Inc. on its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1       A SENATE RESOLUTION congratulating Bremen  
2       Castings, Inc. on its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

3       *Whereas, Bremen Castings, a manufacturer of gray and*  
4       *ductile iron castings for the agricultural, heavy truck, military*  
5       *defense vehicles, lawn and garden, heavy machinery, mining,*  
6       *and oil and gas industries, was founded on March 17, 1939, as*  
7       *Bremen Gray Iron Foundry;*

8       *Whereas, Ellis Brown, Charles W. Kling, and Harold*  
9       *Heckamen initially invested \$10,000 in the venture, and it has*  
10       *since grown to a thriving staple in the community that employs*  
11       *more than 200 individuals;*

12       *Whereas, Bremen Casting's first priority is safety, the*  
13       *company now having gone one thousand continuous days and*  
14       *one million man hours without a lost time accident;*

15       *Whereas, The company is also strongly committed to its*  
16       *family values, as well as continuous improvement and*  
17       *profitability by investing in capital, including both equipment*  
18       *and people, so that Bremen Casting remains valuable to its*  
19       *customers, suppliers, stakeholders, community, and employees;*



1           *Whereas, Several of Bremen Casting's expansions through*  
2 *the years include a five million dollar ductile iron production*  
3 *that began in 1996, an in-house pattern shop operation that*  
4 *started in 2009, a second location was opened in 2010 with the*  
5 *expansion of a machine shop into Plant II, a Wellness Center*  
6 *was established in November 2012, and BCI Defense, LLC*  
7 *began in December 2012; and*

8           *Whereas, Bremen Castings continues to largely be a family-*  
9 *run enterprise, with James L. Brown, son of Ellis Brown,*  
10 *working over 73 years with Bremen Castings and serving on*  
11 *the Board of Directors still; James E. Brown, grandson of Ellis*  
12 *Brown, serving as the current CEO and Chairman of the*  
13 *Board; J.B. Brown, the great grandson of Ellis Brown, serving*  
14 *as the President; and with Jordan A. Brown becoming the fifth*  
15 *generation to work at Bremen Castings when she graduates*  
16 *from Indiana University this spring: Therefore,*

17                           *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*  
18                           *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

19           SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate congratulates Bremen  
20 Castings, Inc. on a successful 75 years.

21           SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to  
22 transmit a copy of this Resolution to Bremen Castings, Inc.

