

**SENATE CONCURRENT  
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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the 50th anniversary  
of the Fischhoff National Chamber Music Association.

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1           A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the 50th  
2 anniversary of the Fischhoff National Chamber Music  
3 Association.

4           *Whereas, In 1973, Joseph E. Fischhoff and fellow members*  
5 *of the South Bend Chamber Music Society sought an innovative*  
6 *way of encouraging young people to pursue music study and*  
7 *performance and founded the Fischhoff National Chamber*  
8 *Music Association;*

9           *Whereas, In its first year of existence, the Association*  
10 *began hosting a music competition; six ensembles competed,*  
11 *and 47 years later 130 ensembles competed representing 25*  
12 *different states and 27 nations;*

13           *Whereas, Today the Fischhoff competition is the largest and*  
14 *longest running chamber music competition in the nation;*

15           *Whereas, Since its founding, more than 7,800 musicians*  
16 *have competed, many of whom have gone on to distinguished*  
17 *careers in music performance and education, including Indiana*  
18 *native and three-time Grammy Award-winning violinist, Joshua*  
19 *Bell, contemporary ensemble, Eighth Blackbird, and the*  
20 *Pacifica Quartet, the 2020 Grammy Award Winner for Best*  
21 *Chamber Music Performance;*

22           *Whereas, The Fischhoff competition distinguishes itself from*  
23 *all other music competitions by remaining true to its core*  
24 *mission: to encourage and educate young musicians in the*



1 *discipline and expression of chamber music;*

2 *Whereas, The Fischhoff competition partners and alumni*  
 3 *have served over 93,500 youth in the tri-state area since 1995*  
 4 *and on an annual basis reach more than 4,000 students, many*  
 5 *of whom are under-resourced;*

6 *Whereas, The Fischhoff has received local, state, and*  
 7 *national recognition and awards, including the National*  
 8 *Endowment for the Arts Artworks Grant; the South*  
 9 *Bend/Mishawaka Convention and Visitors Bureau Tourism*  
 10 *Grant; and the Leighton Award for Nonprofit Excellence from*  
 11 *the Community Foundation of St. Joseph County;*

12 *Whereas, The Fischhoff distinguishes itself from all other*  
 13 *music competitions by remaining true to its core mission to*  
 14 *encourage and educate young musicians in the discipline and*  
 15 *expression of chamber music; and*

16 *Whereas, It is an honor to recognize the Fischhoff National*  
 17 *Chamber Music Association on its 50th anniversary: Therefore,*

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

21 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly  
 22 recognizes the Fischhoff National Chamber Music Association  
 23 on its 50th anniversary.

24 SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate transmit  
 25 copies of this Resolution to the Fischhoff National Chamber  
 26 Music Association and the Fischhoff Family.  
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