

**SENATE CONCURRENT  
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1           A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing ATT  
2           Indiana for 100 years of connectivity and technological  
3           innovation in the State of Indiana.

4           *Whereas, Indiana Bell, now known as AT&T Indiana, was*  
5           *founded in 1920 to centrally operate telephone exchanges of the*  
6           *Bell Telephone System in Indiana;*

7           *Whereas, AT&T Indiana's roots can be traced to the last*  
8           *quarter of the 19th century following Alexander Graham Bell's*  
9           *1876 invention of the telephone and the birth of phone service*  
10           *in Indiana;*

11           *Whereas, In 1968, the company introduced the Bell*  
12           *System's first 9-1-1 emergency calling system, which connected*  
13           *emergency callers to a central dispatcher serving fire, police,*  
14           *and rescue agencies;*

15           *Whereas, After the 1984 Bell System Divestiture, Indiana*  
16           *Bell became a part of Ameritech, one of the seven original*  
17           *Regional Bell Operating Companies;*

18           *Whereas, In 1991, Indiana Bell, through its Ameritech*  
19           *parent, was among the first telecommunications operations in*  
20           *the country to be involved with experiments to transmit*  
21           *telephone and cable TV signals to homes over the same*  
22           *fiberoptic lines in Columbus, Indiana;*

23           *Whereas, AT&T Indiana is a valued company in the State*  
24           *of Indiana which annually invests over \$400 million in Indiana*



1 *networks and employs over 3,100 hard-working Hoosiers;*

2 *Whereas, By continuing to build state-of-the-art*  
3 *infrastructure in Indiana, AT&T is making business growth*  
4 *possible and assuring that residents have the tools to stay*  
5 *connected and entertained;*

6 *Whereas, AT&T has pioneered technological advancements*  
7 *for public safety from the first 9-1-1 calling system to FirstNet,*  
8 *public safety's first dedicated nationwide communications*  
9 *platform;*

10 *Whereas, AT&T is committed to rural Indiana by serving*  
11 *tens of thousands of rural Hoosiers; and*

12 *Whereas, From the implementation of the first telephone*  
13 *innovations to the future of 5G wireless networks, AT&T*  
14 *Indiana is a leader in advancing technology for the Hoosier*  
15 *state: Therefore,*

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

19 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly  
20 recognizes AT&T Indiana for 100 years of connectivity and  
21 technological innovation in the State of Indiana, and wishes the  
22 company continued success for years to come.

23 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed  
24 to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Matt Long, Director of  
25 External Affairs for AT&T Indiana.

