## MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE ALLEN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

## JOHN H. HEINEY

WHEREAS, we are here today to honor the memory of John H. Heiney who died on May 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, John was born and raised in Huntington County, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, John attended his beloved Indiana University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts and a law degree; and

WHEREAS, John was preceded in death by his beloved wife Janet Heiney, who died in 1988; and

WHEREAS, John will always be remembered as an outstanding and faithful husband, father, lawyer, mentor and friend.

John is survived by his brother, Robert, and daughters, Marie Eifert and Kathleen Pelz, as well as three grandchildren, Carter and Drake Eifert, and Janet Pelz.

John was born and raised on a farm near Huntington, Indiana. To raise money to go to college, he painted houses and barns with a high school friend. He matriculated to Indiana University where he was an active member of the student body. He was a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity and served as President from 1954-1955. He was also a member of the IU Student Foundation and a member of their Steering Committee. John was selected as one of the outstanding senior men at IU by the IU Chapter of Sigma Delta Chi Journalism Fraternity.

John was a tried and true IV loyalist. One of his favorite student activities while at IV was serving as Student Manager of the IV basketball team which he did from 1951-1953. In 1953, IV won its second National Championship under Coach Branch McCracken. It was a Final Four that John never forgot as he retold the story of future Indiana Pacers Coach, Bobby "Slick" Leonard, knocking

down a free throw with 27 seconds to go to beat Kansas by one point in the championship game. Legendary North Carolina Coach, Dean Smith, scored one point for Kansas in the championship game.

After graduating from IV, John enrolled in the Law School. While in law school, he worked at the Dean of Student's Office in the University. The Dean of Students at the time was Herman B. Wells, who became the 11th President of the University and later the Chancellor. Herman Wells is considered one of the giants in the history of Indiana University and he certainly was in John's mind.

After graduating from IU Law School, John joined the firm now known as Rothberg Logan & Warsco, where he maintained an active practice for over 50 years and is the only firm John ever worked with. John's practice centered on complex estate planning services and business matters and he will be remembered for having a cadre of very loyal business clients. One of his favorite and longtime clients was Dave McCracken, son of Coach Branch McCracken.

John could be an intimidating figure to a young lawyer. However, once one gathered enough courage to seek John out, what one discovered was that he had a very sharp mind, a keen and analytical business sense and that he really liked being presented with tough questions and helping out a young lawyer. It turns out that despite having a rather serious facade, John was a very likable, helpful and engaging person.

John maintained his loyalty to IU by being a member of the IU Alumni Association, IU Varsity Club, the Hoosier Hundred, and the Well House Society.

John was also very active in the community. He served as President of Wildwood Park Community Association and was a director of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic, where his mother was a longtime musician. As a tribute to his mother, John authored a 50-year history of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic, which was widely distributed and much acclaimed.

John was also a longtime member of Quest Club where he, among other things, served as the repository for all of the Quest Club papers.

John was an avid and very good golfer. He was a longtime member of the Orchard Ridge Country Club, where he served as its President. Orchard Ridge was the site of the last of John's three holes in one. That memorable hole-in-one occurred on the 9th hole during a tournament—with the tee set back

to 165 yards. There was much excitement in the office the next day when John arrived at work with a brand new BMW -- the prize for his hole-in-one the prior day. It was a cherished possession, survived a couple of wrecks and was owned by John until very late in his life.

John was loyal to his family, friends, law firm and Indiana University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Allen County Bar Association gives public expression of its sorrow upon this, the occasion of the remembrance of life of John H. Heiney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be unanimously adopted by those present upon this occasion; and

BE ITFURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be transmitted by the Allen County Bar Association, the members of the John H. Heiney family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread of record in the permanent records of the federal and state courts in Allen County to evidence the respect and admiration of the members of the bench and the bar for their departed friend, mentor and colleague, John H. Heiney.

Dated this 13th day of March, 2017, at Fort Wayne, Indiana.

THE ALLEN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

Ву:

Melanie L. Farr, President

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The Honorable Craig J. Bobay Chief Judge, Allen Superior Court

Resolution prepared and presented by F. L. Dennis Logan