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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE

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## FAY W. LEAS

Mr. President, members of the Allen County Bar Association and friends.

Once again we are assembled to pay tribute on the occasion of the death of one of our members. It is proper that we should do this. Long and honorable service in the legal profession should be recognized, commemorated, and emulated.

Fay W. Leas was born in Hudson, Indiana, on May 15, 1897. For several years he taught at Fremont High School, and in 1925 was graduated from Indiana Law School.

Fay Leas was an active life-long Democrat. He served as

Judge of the Allen Superior Court from 1936 to 1938, filling out
the unexpired term of Judge Charles Ryan, and in 1938 was a
candidate for the same position against Judge Edward Meyers.

He was active in the receivership of the Old-First National
Bank and Trust Company and in the Pixley Relief and Family and
Children's Service Agencies.

Judge Leas practiced law in this community for over fifty years. Those of us who had the privilege of working with him or opposing him knew him to be a zealous advocate and a formidable opponent.

During his service in the practice of law over half a century, Fay Leas was associated at various times with individuals well known in the legal community: R. Earl Peters, Paul Jasper, Alex Campbell, John Williams, Ramon Perry, Noble Schlatter, and Robert Hines.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church for fiftyone years, and for many of those years was a Sunday School teacher. page 2
Fay W. Leas Memorial

His professional associations included the Allen County Bar Association, the Indiana State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. His Masonic affiliations included Ashley Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite and the Shrine.

In the passing of Fay Leas, we have lost another of the deans, in the true sense, of the practice of law. He is survived by his widow, Marguerite, a son, Blaine, and two daughters, Maurine L. Hines and Barbara A. Gately. To his widow and children we extend our deepest sympathy, and we join with them in the solace that he lived a long and fruitful life.

Mr. President, I move that the Allen County Bar Association give public expression of the sorrow of its members on the death of Fay W. Leas;

That the adoption of this Resolution be made a matter of record in the order books of the Courts of Allen County;

That a copy of this Resolution be sent to his widow, Marguerite, and her family.

WITNESS our hand and seal this 22nd day of February, 1979.

Respectfully submitted, The Allen County Bar Association Memorial Resolution Committee

Judge Robert E. Meyers

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