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Institute Applauds Paid Parental Leave Executive Order, Calls for Statewide Action

Indianapolis, IN – Today, Governor Braun signed [an executive order](#) expanding access to paid leave for new parents. As [Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence's recent evaluation of the state's parental leave policy](#) and [an abundant amount of research](#) in other contexts shows, paid parental leave is a win-win for workers, employers, and Hoosier families.

"We are excited to hear that the Governor is expanding paid parental leave for state employees. Paid leave will help our state run more efficiently; employees are at their best when they can prioritize their health and the health of their loved ones. Governor Braun is setting an example for the rest of our state, and understands the benefit to businesses when we enact policies that prioritize health and family. I hope that this will lead to a statewide policy that will afford all Hoosier families the right to prioritize their health," said Ashley Phillips, Community Needs Analyst at the Indiana Community Action Poverty Institute.

"We applaud Governor Braun for taking this step forward," said Erin Macey, Director of the Indiana Community Action Poverty Institute. "We know paid parental leave allows families to get off to the best possible start and helps employers attract and retain workers. We hope this action will motivate the Indiana General Assembly to consider bipartisan legislation like [SB 115](#), which would create a statewide program so that all workers could have access to paid leave at critical life moments."

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About the Indiana Community Action Poverty Institute

The Indiana Community Action Poverty Institute engages in research and promotes public policies to help Hoosier families achieve and maintain financial well-being. We believe that when Hoosiers are financially stable, they can achieve their full potential and better contribute to their communities. The Institute is a program of the Indiana Community Action Association.