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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to recognize the 1970-71 and 1971-72 Thornridge High School Varsity Boys basketball teams, the Falcons; and

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WHEREAS, The Falcons won Thornridge High School's only State Championships in 1971 and 1972; and

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WHEREAS, The 1971-72 Falcons compiled a season-record of 33 wins and no losses, winning by an average of almost 33 points a game and defeating 16 conference champions; the score of the title game over Quincy of 104 to 69 remains a record for the largest margin of victory; and

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WHEREAS, Over the 1970-71 and 1971-72 seasons, the Falcons put together a winning streak of 58 games; and

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WHEREAS, The starters for the 1970-71 and 1971-72 Falcons, Quinn Buckner; Boyd Batts; Greg Rose; Ernest Dunn; Mike Bonczyk; Michael Henry; Mark McClain; William "Nee" Gatlin; James Loggins; team Captain, Tony "Grubbs" Jackson; and head coach, Ron Ferguson, will be present at a jersey retirement ceremony and celebration of the greatest Illinois high school basketball teams in history on February 23, 2017 at Thornridge

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1 Gymnasium in Dolton; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
3 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
4 recognize the 1970-71 and 1971-72 Thornridge High School
5 Varsity Boys basketball teams, the Falcons; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
7 presented to Quinn Buckner; Boyd Batts; Greg Rose; Ernest Dunn;
8 Mike Bonczyk; Michael Henry; Mark McClain; William "Nee"
9 Gatlin; James Loggins; team Captain, Tony "Grubbs" Jackson; and
10 head coach, Ron Ferguson.