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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate St. Peter's Lutheran 4 Church in the Village of St. Peter on the occasion of its 150th 5 anniversary; and

6 WHEREAS, In the 1860s, settlers in Southeast Fayette County
7 founded St. Peter's when they employed Pastor J.F. Schnurre to
8 conduct services every other week; the fledgling congregation
9 signed a charter to officially organize a church congregation
10 on January 8, 1869; and

WHEREAS, On May 25, 1869, Samuel Fogler donated land to the congregation and a small church, park, and parsonage were built; several years later, a school was established and still operates today as St. Peter's Lutheran School; and

WHEREAS, After the congregation outgrew the original building, Anna Borchelt donated land on which a new church was built in 1894; the congregation built again in 1948, and the third church building was dedicated on May 28, 1950; and

19 WHEREAS, St. Peter's Lutheran Church has been a staple in 20 the Village of St. Peter since its founding and provides 21 spiritual inspiration, education, and charity to the citizens

- of the surrounding area; 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 congratulate St. Peter's Lutheran Church on the occasion of its
- 5 150th anniversary; we recognize and respect its long tradition
- of service and participation in the Village of St. Peter and we
- 7 wish them many more successful years; and be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 9 presented to the Reverend Ryan Meyer as a symbol of our esteem
- 10 and respect.