

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The tradition of charity has been a constant
3 throughout the Elks' 100 years in Mt. Vernon; and

4 WHEREAS, The Elks, a national fraternity, is involved in
5 a variety of charitable work involving children and veterans;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Members also uphold their long-standing
8 tradition of patriotism and spirituality; through national,
9 state and local efforts, the Elks help college students
10 afford an education and help children with orthopedic
11 problems get the care and financial support they need; and

12 WHEREAS, The Elks are most involved in assisting crippled
13 children across the State; the Illinois Elks Crippled
14 Children Corp. sponsors four clinics annually in Mt. Vernon;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Whether it's providing bingo games at the Marion
17 and Anna Veterans Affairs hospitals, sponsoring an Easter
18 bunny program at nursing homes or organizing blood drives,
19 the Elks seem to have their hands all over charities in
20 Southern Illinois; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
22 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
23 we congratulate and thank Elks Lodge 819 for 100 years of
24 service and commitment to the Mt. Vernon community; and be it
25 further

26 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
27 presented to Elks Lodge 819's exalted ruler, Robert Morrison,
28 as an expression of our respect and esteem.