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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Winnetka Park District was created in 1904 by 2 a group of citizens who wanted to beautify a piece of land that 3 4 was strewn with debris from the local livery stable and located in front of the village train station; and 5 WHEREAS, The Winnetka Park District is the State's 6 fourth-oldest park district; and 7 8 WHEREAS, The Winnetka Park District includes an 18-hole 9 championship golf course plus a par-3 course, an indoor ice arena, two outdoor rinks, four public beaches with beach 10 houses, and a skate park; and 11 12 WHEREAS, The Winnetka Park District has been an innovator 13 in park district services, building one of the region's first indoor tennis facilities in 1962; and 14 15 WHEREAS, In order to best serve the recreational needs of people with disabilities, in 1969 the Winnetka Park District 16 became a charter member of the North Suburban Special 17 Recreation District; and 18 WHEREAS, The Winnetka Park District further demonstrated 19 20 its commitment to the needs of people with disabilities by 21 opening the State's first accessible public beach in 1992; and WHEREAS, The Winnetka Park District has served the needs of 22 23 Winnetka's four-legged residents by opening the State's first 24 dog beach in 1995; and 25 WHEREAS, The Winnetka Park District has grown from its 26 humble beginnings as a single park in 1904 to contain more than 27 28 park sites covering 244 acres of land today; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The Winnetka Park District has provided valuable
- 2 leisure and recreational opportunities throughout its history;
- 3 and
- WHEREAS, The Winnetka Park District is celebrating its
- 5 100-year anniversary; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 7 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 8 express our congratulations to the people of Winnetka and the
- 9 surrounding area on the centennial celebration of the Winnetka
- 10 Park District; and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to the Winnetka Park District as an expression of our
- 13 esteem.