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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Local 318 of the 4 International Union of Operating Engineers on the occasion of 5 celebrating its 75th anniversary on June 9, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Local 318 was founded in Harrisburg in 1932; it
was moved to Marion in 1996, where it currently resides; and

WHEREAS, Local 318 takes pride in providing operators for the 14 most southern counties in Illinois; it is made up of 900 skilled operators and hundreds of signatory contractors along with shops, city workers, and quarries throughout the area; its unionized market share is above average for the nation at 98 percent; and

WHEREAS, Local 318 values the training of its members; it
has a growing apprenticeship facility, providing
apprenticeship, entry level training, and journeymen upgrade
training to all of its members; and

WHEREAS, Local 318 is a strong community based operation that provides support to area charities; it has established a scholarship fund that assists the dependents of Local 318's members with their college tuition; therefore, be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 2 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 3 congratulate Local 318 of the International Union of Operating
- 4 Engineers on its 75th anniversary and wish it continued success
- 5 in its future endeavors; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 7 presented to a representative of Local 318 as a symbol of our
- 8 esteem and respect.