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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the congregation
4 of the St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Galena on the occasion of
5 the church's 150th anniversary; and

6 WHEREAS, The St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran Church was
7 first organized on September 21, 1858, when Pastor John
8 Klindworth helped a group of German settlers establish a new
9 church in Galena; and

10 WHEREAS, The congregation of the St. Matthew's Evangelical
11 Lutheran Church will celebrate the 150th anniversary of their
12 beloved church on September 21, 2008 with a festive worship
13 service in the morning, comprised of portions of liturgies used
14 at St. Matthew Lutheran Church through the years, and a
15 German-fare dinner in the evening; the church will also
16 dedicate a new remodeled chancel area of the church and a new,
17 free-standing altar, which was crafted by members of the church
18 from the wood of the pulpit; and

19 WHEREAS, The St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran Church
20 serves as a model of piety, charity, and community involvement
21 for the people of the State of Illinois; 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 the congregation of the St. Matthew Lutheran
4 Church in Galena on the occasion of the church's 150th
5 anniversary and wish them continued success and happiness in
6 the future; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the St. Matthew Lutheran Church as a symbol of our
9 esteem and respect.