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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the students,
4 staff, faculty, and alumni of Kaskaskia College as they
5 celebrate the school's 70th anniversary; and

6 WHEREAS, Centralia Junior College was created in 1940 and
7 later became Kaskaskia College in 1966 through the passage of
8 the Community College Act of 1965; and

9 WHEREAS, Kaskaskia College holds the distinction of being
10 the first community college organized under the Community
11 College Act of 1965; Kaskaskia College District 501 was formed
12 on July 1, 1966; and

13 WHEREAS, The college has grown over the years to over
14 12,000 students; the college has a main campus west of
15 Centralia, a branch campus in Vandalia, and educational centers
16 in Greenville, Nashville, Salem, and Trenton; and

17 WHEREAS, Kaskaskia College employs over 400 full-time and
18 part-time personnel; over the past nine years, the college has
19 experienced a 62% increase in credit hours, the largest
20 increase of any higher education institution in Illinois over
21 that time period; and

1 WHEREAS, Over the years Kaskaskia College has provided an
2 excellent educational opportunity for students to become
3 better equipped for life; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
5 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
6 congratulate everyone involved in the 70th anniversary of
7 Kaskaskia College and wish them continued success; and be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to James Underwood, President of Kaskaskia College,
11 as a symbol of our respect and esteem.