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1 SENATE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, Many places in Illinois are significant sites of 2 3 local, State, national, and world history; and WHEREAS, Illinois residents and visitors coming to these 4 sites may learn about historic people, ideas, and developments 5 6 there; and 7 WHEREAS, Such visits may deepen their interests in, and 8 appreciation of, history; and 9 WHEREAS, History can help them understand their place in the world and how they might improve it; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Increasing visitations at historic 12 stimulate beautification, preservation, conservation, tourism, and business in Illinois communities and counties where they 13 14 are located; and WHEREAS, The Illinois State Historical Society, recognized 15 16 by the Illinois General Assembly in 1903, has already placed 17 markers at more than 400 historic sites around the State; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly and the Illinois

State Historical Society now seek to heighten historical

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- 1 awareness in Illinois residents and visitors by calling
- 2 attention to these markers and historic sites throughout the
- 3 State; therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
- 5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the week of March 1-7,
- 6 2010 shall be known as Illinois State Historical Society
- 7 Markers Awareness Week; and be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That we encourage all Illinois residents and
- 9 visitors to celebrate this week by learning about historic
- 10 sites in their locales, visiting them, reflecting on their
- importance in history, communicating with others about them,
- and attending ceremonies commemorating them; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That the members of the Illinois Senate are
- encouraged to participate in the events of this week with their
- 15 colleagues in the Capitol and their constituents in their home
- 16 districts.