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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Many places in the State of Illinois are
3 significant sites of local, State, national, and world history;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Visitors to these sites learn about historic
6 people, ideas, and events that occurred there; and

7 WHEREAS, Such visits deepen our interest in, and
8 appreciation of, history; and

9 WHEREAS, History helps us understand our place in the world
10 and how we might improve upon it; and

11 WHEREAS, Increasing the number of visitors at historic
12 sites will stimulate beautification, preservation,
13 conservation, tourism, and business in the Illinois
14 communities and counties where those sites are located; and

15 WHEREAS, The Illinois State Historical Society, recognized
16 by the Illinois General Assembly in 1903 as a major contributor
17 to the awareness and appreciation of history in Illinois, has
18 already placed its markers at more than 400 historic sites
19 around the State; and

1 WHEREAS, The Illinois State Historical Society is the only
2 statewide not-for-profit historical organization; and

3 WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly and the Illinois
4 State Historical Society now seek to heighten historical
5 awareness in Illinois residents and visitors by calling
6 attention to these markers and historic sites throughout the
7 State; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
9 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
10 we designate the week of February 28 - March 6, 2011 as
11 Illinois State Historical Society Markers Awareness Week in the
12 State of Illinois; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That all Illinois residents and visitors are
14 encouraged to celebrate this week by visiting the Historical
15 Markers Web site at www.historyillinois.org, learning about
16 historic sites in their locales, visiting those sites,
17 reflecting on their importance in history, communicating with
18 others about them, and attending ceremonies commemorating
19 them; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the members of the Illinois House of
21 Representatives are encouraged to participate in the events of
22 this week with their colleagues in the Illinois State Capitol

1 and their constituents in their home districts.