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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Olivet Nazarene University School of Music
3 exists to cultivate the musical skills of student scholars and
4 to encourage a life of service to others; and

5 WHEREAS, The music program is designed to complement a
6 broad liberal arts education, provide the intensive
7 professional training that aspiring musicians need, and meet
8 the musical needs of the University, the community, and
9 Olivet's educational region; and

10 WHEREAS, In the past 5 years, the Olivet Nazarene
11 University School of Music has experienced unprecedented
12 growth; the school consists of the 190-member Tiger Marching
13 Band, 3 Concert Bands, 2 Orchestras, a Big Band, 2 Jazz Combos,
14 5 Choirs, more than 15 Chamber Ensembles, and over 500 students
15 from all majors across campus who participate in music; and

16 WHEREAS, The 190-member Tiger Marching Band is the 5th
17 largest university marching band in the State of Illinois; and

18 WHEREAS, Olivet Nazarene University Music Education
19 graduates have a 100% placement record; and

20 WHEREAS, The fall of 2013 marked the beginning of the

1 iLearn@olivet initiative, making ONU School of Music an
2 all-iPad program; and

3 WHEREAS, On January 19, 2015, the Olivet Nazarene
4 University School of Music received the Apple Distinguished
5 Program Award; Apple currently has only 17 programs with this
6 designation; the ONU School of Music is the only undergrad
7 music program to receive this award; and

8 WHEREAS, The Olivet Nazarene University Marching Band has
9 been invited to march in the News Day Parade in London, England
10 on January 1, 2016; only 12 bands from the United States are
11 invited to participate in this parade each year; therefore, be
12 it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
14 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
15 honor the Olivet Nazarene University School of Music for their
16 distinguished accomplishments in music and their commitment to
17 serving their community; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to the Olivet Nazarene University School of Music.