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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the Illinois Farm Bureau
4 for its commitment to proudly serving farmers in the State of
5 Illinois for 100 years; and

6 WHEREAS, In 1916, the Illinois Agricultural Association,
7 commonly known as the Illinois Farm Bureau, formed when a group
8 of farmers began meeting at the University of Illinois to
9 discuss important issues facing Illinois' farming communities
10 and families; these initial meetings brought needed
11 conversation on the importance of a quality education,
12 resourceful avenues for information collecting and
13 distribution, and more effective and innovative farming
14 practices for Illinois' fertile soils; and

15 WHEREAS, The Illinois Farm Bureau is a membership-driven,
16 non-profit corporation that represents 2 out of every 3
17 Illinois farmers, while providing excellent agricultural
18 resources, education, and information to all rural and urban
19 Illinois residents; and

20 WHEREAS, Throughout its long history, the Illinois Farm
21 Bureau has developed and initiated many farm programs,
22 companies, and businesses in order to improve Illinois'

1 business climate and to ensure that agriculture stays at the
2 forefront as one of Illinois' most valuable economic engines;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, The Illinois Farm Bureau continues to give back to
5 the people and communities of Illinois by donating more than
6 \$500,000, 10 million pounds of food, and 4,000 volunteer hours
7 to local food banks, while also awarding more than \$80,000 in
8 scholarships to college students; and

9 WHEREAS, Today, the Illinois Farm Bureau is a leader for
10 agricultural policy on the local, State, and national levels by
11 focusing on its core mission: to improve the economic
12 well-being of agriculture and enrich the quality of farm family
13 life; and

14 WHEREAS, The Illinois Farm Bureau achieves its mission by
15 educating farmers, supporting common sense legislation, and
16 telling the farmer's story to the public; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
18 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
19 congratulate the members and staff of the Illinois Farm Bureau
20 on the occasion of the organization's 100th anniversary; and be
21 it further

1 RESOLVED, That we recognize and appreciate the Illinois
2 Farm Bureau's leadership and guidance on matters important to
3 Illinois' agricultural community; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
5 delivered to the Illinois Farm Bureau and to all County Farm
6 Bureaus.