

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, June 22, 2002 marks the 150th anniversary of the  
3 City of Woodstock; and

4 WHEREAS, Since 1852, events in Woodstock have shaped  
5 thousands of lives in the city and around McHenry County; and

6 WHEREAS, Woodstock can claim many leadership roles such  
7 as being among the first in McHenry County to benefit from  
8 electricity, telephone, and railroad service as well as  
9 quality healthcare and education; and

10 WHEREAS, Woodstock is known for providing a high quality  
11 of education to its students through esteemed academic  
12 programs and various extracurricular opportunities;  
13 Woodstock's innovative instructional programs have received  
14 statewide and national recognition and serve as models for  
15 other districts; student achievement continues to exceed both  
16 State and national averages; strong co-curricular programs in  
17 athletics, dramatics, vocal and instrumental music, and a  
18 variety of clubs and organizations enhance students' learning  
19 experiences; and

20 WHEREAS, Students from both Woodstock High School and  
21 Marian Central Catholic High School have demonstrated  
22 outstanding athletic ability by earning State football  
23 championship titles; and

24 WHEREAS, Throughout the year, Woodstock is host to many  
25 events, festivals, and fairs; some of the local events  
26 include Fair Diddley, Dick Tracy Days, the Fine Art Fair,  
27 HarvestFest, farmers market and Groundhog Days, as well as  
28 summer band concerts; the beautiful Romanesque-style  
29 Woodstock Opera House (a landmark listed in the National  
30 Register of Historic Places) serves as the cultural  
31 entertainment center of Woodstock, featuring plays, concerts,

1 and performances throughout the year, including the  
2 nationally renowned Woodstock Mozart Festival held each  
3 summer; and

4 WHEREAS, The city is nestled in the center of the most  
5 impressive rolling countryside in northern Illinois; several  
6 areas within the city exceed 1100 feet above sea level,  
7 providing wonderful vistas of the surrounding countryside;  
8 Woodstock's extensive park system contains twice the national  
9 average of acreage, allowing its citizens plenty of leisure  
10 opportunities; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
12 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
13 we congratulate the City of Woodstock on its 150th  
14 anniversary; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That June 22, 2002, be declared Woodstock Day  
16 in the State of Illinois; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to the Mayor of the City of Woodstock.