

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are honored to recognize milestone  
4 celebrations in the history of towns in the State of  
5 Illinois; and

6 WHEREAS, Nestled within the beautiful surroundings of  
7 Northern Illinois, Spring Grove was originally established in  
8 1847 under the name of Blivin Mills; in 1883 the name was  
9 changed to Spring Grove because of its many springs and  
10 groves of trees; on October 6, 1902, the Village of Spring  
11 Grove was incorporated; and

12 WHEREAS, Spring Grove was primarily established as an  
13 agricultural community; the first silo constructed in North  
14 America was built in the 1800's on a small farm located in  
15 the Spring Grove area; a memorial marker stands today at Lyle  
16 Thomas Park to pay tribute to this historical site; and

17 WHEREAS, Years of careful planning have rewarded the  
18 Village of Spring Grove with an increase in both commercial  
19 and light industrial development; with this, increased  
20 residential developments have provided the Village with a  
21 diverse selection of housing; Spring Grove's current  
22 population is 3,880; and

23 WHEREAS, Spring Grove is an ambitious community with a  
24 clear vision of the future; the hard working heritage of  
25 Spring Grove continues to be a benchmark for enhanced  
26 development throughout the community; and

27 WHEREAS, The Village of Spring Grove will be celebrating  
28 one hundred years of incorporation on October 6, 2002; and

29 WHEREAS, The Village of Spring Grove will publish a  
30 commemorative history book that will document in words and  
31 pictures the history of Spring Grove's churches, schools,

1 organizations, farming community, old and current businesses,  
2 resident memories and more; and

3 WHEREAS, The Village of Spring Grove is also building a  
4 brick walkway to the gazebo in Horse Fair Park commemorating  
5 past and current residents and businesses; the walkway will  
6 be dedicated as part of the Centennial celebration on October  
7 6, 2002; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
9 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
10 we congratulate the Village of Spring Grove on the  
11 celebration of its centennial anniversary; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to Robert Martens, the Village President of Spring  
14 Grove, Illinois.