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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, It is important to preserve agricultural history  
3 and honor the individuals who have dedicated their lives to  
4 maintaining the legacy of farming and farm machinery; and

5           WHEREAS, Antique tractors represent a vital chapter in our  
6 nation's agricultural development and serve as symbols of  
7 innovation, resilience, and community heritage; and

8           WHEREAS, Kevin Bresnahan, a proud Illinoisan and  
9 passionate antique tractor enthusiast, has personally  
10 preserved and maintained a collection of 31 antique tractors,  
11 ensuring that future generations understand and appreciate the  
12 machinery that once powered Illinois' farms; and

13           WHEREAS, Kevin Bresnahan's dedication exemplifies the  
14 spirit of preservation and education and reflects a broader  
15 community of collectors and restorers who keep this history  
16 alive; and

17           WHEREAS, August 22nd marks a national effort to preserve  
18 antique tractors, bringing together enthusiasts, historians,  
19 and families to reflect on the rich traditions of American  
20 farming; therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
2 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
3 we declare August 22, 2026 as Antique Tractor Preservation Day  
4 in the State of Illinois; and be it further

5           RESOLVED, That we encourage educational institutions,  
6 historical societies, and community groups across the State to  
7 participate in events and activities that honor the legacy of  
8 antique tractors and those who preserve them; and be it  
9 further

10          RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
11 presented to Kevin Bresnahan in recognition of his unwavering  
12 commitment to antique tractor preservation and agricultural  
13 heritage in Illinois.