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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Waubonsie Valley High  
4 School on the 50th anniversary of its founding on September 3,  
5 2025; and

6           WHEREAS, Waubonsie Valley High School has evolved from  
7 educating 300 students when it opened on September 3, 1975 to  
8 now boasting an enrollment of approximately 2,700 students;  
9 and

10           WHEREAS, Waubonsie Valley High School was one of the first  
11 of three high schools of Indian Prairie School District 204 to  
12 respectively choose their namesake to honor the First Peoples  
13 on this land, the prominent Pottawattamie leader Chief  
14 Waubonsie, who in the early 1800s was known for his role in  
15 negotiating many treaties during early land conflicts of the  
16 time; and

17           WHEREAS, Waubonsie Valley High School has been through  
18 three additions over its 50 years of existence and is  
19 currently beginning the process of a \$150 million dollar  
20 renovation of its entire facility, which is expected to be  
21 completed in 2030; and

1           WHEREAS, The Waubonsie Valley High School community is  
2 welcoming a more historically accurate connection to its  
3 namesake by redesigning the school crest, imagery, and  
4 educational connections to the accuracy of the First Peoples,  
5 most notably the Land Acknowledgment Memorial and an official  
6 bust of Chief Waubonsie based on one of the two known drawings  
7 of him while attending a White House ceremony; and

8           WHEREAS, Waubonsie Valley High School will celebrate its  
9 50th anniversary with students and alumni by opening its 25  
10 year time capsule and creating a new time capsule to be opened  
11 in 2050; and

12           WHEREAS, Waubonsie Valley High School plans to host future  
13 celebratory events in the following year, such as introducing  
14 its new mascot during the homecoming celebration in October,  
15 showing a historical video tribute in winter, and revealing  
16 the official bust of Chief Waubonsie that will take center  
17 focus in the newly designed atrium in the spring student Lip  
18 Dub; and

19           WHEREAS, Waubonsie Valley High School continues to fulfill  
20 its mission of fostering students' learning to its highest  
21 potential while providing experiences that shape its students  
22 into independent and productive members of society; therefore,  
23 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 congratulate Waubonsie Valley High School on the 50th  
4 anniversary of its founding and wish it many more wonderful  
5 years; and be it further

6           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
7 presented to Waubonsie Valley High School as an expression of  
8 esteem and respect.