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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to
3 congratulate the United States Navy on its 250th anniversary;
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WHEREAS, The U.S. Navy was founded on October 13, 1775
6 when the Continental Congress agreed to supply Gen. George
7 Washington with an armed schooner and a sloop; and

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WHEREAS, The U.S. Navy has been used successfully in the
9 American Revolution, World War I, World War II, the Korean
10 War, the Vietnam War, Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Operation
11 Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

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WHEREAS, The U.S. Navy is comprised of men and women who
13 are consummate professionals even while serving in some of the
14 harshest environments and putting their lives at risk; and

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WHEREAS, The U.S. Navy embodies the values of honor,
16 courage, and commitment, inspiring generations of American
17 citizens to serve and defend their county; and

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WHEREAS, The U.S. Navy plays a critical role in the
19 defense of the United States and in preserving the lives and
20 liberties of its citizens; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the
3 United States Navy on its 250th anniversary.