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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Elgin High School is one of the oldest high
3 schools in the State of Illinois and is a beloved educational
4 institution that has continually aspired to be a place of
5 "Education for All"; and

6 WHEREAS, Founded in 1969, the school's founder, Charles F.
7 Kimball, insisted that "no other public interest, whether it be
8 the paving of streets, the building of a bridge, the laying of
9 a system of sewerage...is of so great importance to this
10 community as the schools of the city"; and

11 WHEREAS, There were 12 students enrolled in the first
12 class; the present freshman class has 817 students, and the
13 course of study has adapted to fit the changing times, from
14 classical to commercial, comprehensive/college preparatory,
15 and career path; and

16 WHEREAS, Elgin High School has occupied four locations, and
17 the school has resided on Maroon drive since 1972; in the
18 1960s, a movement to change the school's name was met with firm
19 resolve on the part of the community to remain the Elgin High
20 School Maroons; and

21 WHEREAS, More than 43,000 graduates have made

1 contributions as good neighbors, citizens, scientists,
2 artists, physicians, musicians, athletes, factory workers,
3 entrepreneurs, lawyers, engineers, activists, soldiers,
4 leaders, clerks, inventors, writers, laborers, first
5 responders, philanthropists, builders, and teachers to Elgin
6 and beyond; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
8 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 we congratulate Elgin High School on the occasion of its 150th
10 anniversary and wish them many more successful years; and be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to Elgin High School as a symbol of our esteem and
14 respect.