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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Kiwanis Club of DeKalb was chartered on January 25, 1921; and

WHEREAS, The Kiwanis Club of DeKalb has continually focused on the Kiwanis International pledge to serve the children of the world and has sponsored over 500 projects and activities serving the children of DeKalb and the world; and

WHEREAS, The Kiwanis Club of DeKalb's commitment to the youth of DeKalb was shown within the first decade of its formation with the donation of uniforms to the DeKalb High School band; and

WHEREAS, The Kiwanis Club of DeKalb has long been a staunch supporter of the development of parks in DeKalb, funding swimming programs at Hopkins Park and creating DeKalb Kiwanis Park in 1974, which has become the hub of soccer activity in DeKalb; and

WHEREAS, The Kiwanis Club of DeKalb expanded the reach of Kiwanis in the DeKalb area by sponsoring the creation of the Sycamore Club in 1951, the Kishwaukee Club in 1969, the Aktion Club of Opportunity House in 2003, and the Tri-County Club in 2010; and

1           WHEREAS, The Kiwanis Club of DeKalb sponsored the creation  
2 of the first Key Club in the Eastern Illinois District at  
3 DeKalb High School in 1947 and sponsors Builders Clubs at  
4 Huntley and Rosette Middle Schools, thereby providing a  
5 service club opportunity for the youth of the DeKalb  
6 community; and

7           WHEREAS, The Kiwanis Club of DeKalb made significant  
8 financial contributions to Kiwanis International Programs,  
9 including the eradication of iodine deficient disorders in the  
10 1990s and the elimination of maternal neo-natal tetanus in  
11 this century; and

12           WHEREAS, The Kiwanis Club of DeKalb has funded college and  
13 vocational education scholarships for graduating DeKalb High  
14 School seniors for over 60 years; and

15           WHEREAS, The Kiwanis Club of DeKalb initiated the Flag  
16 Program in 1998, which provides a patriotic outlet for  
17 participating DeKalb households; and

18           WHEREAS, The Kiwanis Club of DeKalb has continuously  
19 participated in DeKalb's Corn Fest since 1982, providing  
20 delicious roasted sweet corn for the more than 100,000  
21 attendees each year; therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
2 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
3 we congratulate the Kiwanis Club of DeKalb for its 100 years of  
4 service to the community; and be it further

5           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
6 presented to the Kiwanis Club of DeKalb as an expression of our  
7 esteem and respect.