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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The 2021-2022 school year marks the 50th  
3 anniversary of the Illinois Principals Association, an  
4 organization with the mission to develop, support, and  
5 advocate for innovative educational leaders; and

6           WHEREAS, The Illinois Principals Association was formed by  
7 joining the Illinois Elementary School Principals Association,  
8 the Illinois Junior High School Principals Association, and  
9 the Illinois Secondary School Principals Association into one  
10 organization through formal ratification with 202 charter  
11 members in fall 1971; and

12           WHEREAS, The State of Illinois officially recognized the  
13 Illinois Principals Association as a certified educational  
14 organization serving principals, assistant principals, and  
15 other school building leaders in January 1972; and

16           WHEREAS, The current officers of the Illinois Principals  
17 Association include Dr. Marcus Belin, Principal of Huntley  
18 High School, President; Raul Gaston, Principal of Jefferson  
19 Middle School, President-Elect; Dr. Amy Dixon, Principal of  
20 Lincoln and Jefferson Attendance Centers, Immediate  
21 Past-President; Craig Beals, Principal of Nuttall Middle  
22 School, Treasurer; and Mandy Ellis, Principal of Dunlap Grade

1 School, Secretary; and

2 WHEREAS, The Illinois Principals Association believes in  
3 ensuring effective, sustained educational leaders for every  
4 Illinois school community; and

5 WHEREAS, For the past 50 years, the Illinois Principals  
6 Association has supported principals, assistant principals,  
7 and other school leaders with high-quality professional  
8 learning opportunities, both in-person and virtual, mentoring  
9 and coaching, opportunities to build community with peers,  
10 legal support, and advocacy at both the state and federal  
11 level; and

12 WHEREAS, The Illinois Principals Association now serves  
13 over 6,100 principals, assistant principals, and other school  
14 leaders throughout Illinois; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
16 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
17 we recognize the Illinois Principals Association on its 50th  
18 anniversary, and we thank the organization for its work in  
19 supporting school leaders throughout the State of Illinois;  
20 and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the Illinois Principals Association as an  
2 expression of our respect and esteem.