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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Carl R. Woese Institute for Genomic Biology at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign was established in 2003 to advance life science research and stimulate bioeconomic development in Illinois by investing in the burgeoning field of genomics; and

WHEREAS, The Carl R. Woese Institute for Genomic Biology at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, a state-of-the-art research facility with a structure designed to promote communication and collaboration among its members, was dedicated in 2007; and

WHEREAS, The membership of the Carl R. Woese Institute for Genomic Biology at the University of Illinois has grown to comprise a transdisciplinary contingent of more than 200 faculty and affiliate members and more than 700 other research staff and students, all from more than 40 different academic departments; and

WHEREAS, The Carl R. Woese Institute for Genomic Biology at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign is celebrating its 15th anniversary of path-breaking genomic research to address grand societal challenges in the areas of agriculture, environmental conservation, health, wellness, technology, and

- 1 society; and
- 2 WHEREAS, The Carl R. Woese Institute for Genomic Biology
- 3 at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign is committed to
- 4 the use of science to positively impact society and also to the
- 5 larger goal of promoting an open dialogue between science and
- 6 society; therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 8 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 9 we commend the Carl R. Woese Institute for Genomic Biology at
- 10 the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign on its 15 years of
- 11 significant societal, scientific, and scholarly contributions
- 12 made to research at the intersection of science and society
- within the state of Illinois, resulting in over \$520M in
- 14 funding and the establishment of more than 20 start-up and
- small companies; and be it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to the Carl R. Woese Institute for Genomic Biology
- 18 at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign as a symbol of
- 19 our respect and esteem.