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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to recognize the National Conference of 4 State Legislatures on its work over the past half-century; and

5 WHEREAS, The National Conference of State Legislatures 6 (NCSL) was founded in 1975 and has evolved during the years to 7 become the premier organization solely dedicated to serving 8 state and territorial legislators and legislative staff; it 9 will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2025; and

10 WHEREAS, NCSL was created from the merger of three 11 organizations that served or represented state legislatures 12 and that shared the belief that legislative service is one of 13 democracy's worthiest pursuits; and

14 WHEREAS, NCSL is a bipartisan organization with the 15 objectives of advancing the effectiveness, independence, and 16 integrity of state legislatures, fostering interstate 17 communication and cooperation, and ensuring states a strong, 18 cohesive voice in the federal system; and

19 WHEREAS, State legislatures are America's laboratories of 20 democracy and have continually demonstrated the ability to 21 tackle emerging challenges; state legislatures are where

HR0602 -2-LRB103 37850 MST 67980 r 1 people from very different backgrounds, representing very 2 different communities, can come together and find common ground; NCSL has facilitated the exchange of ideas, provided 3 critical research and information, and encouraged a rigorous 4 5 review of complex issues confronting our communities, states, and nation, striving to strengthen the bonds between America's 6 7 state legislatures and the international community; therefore, 8 be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 10 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 11 we congratulate the National Conference of State Legislatures 12 on its upcoming 50th anniversary and commend the organization 13 for its superb leadership and commitment to the legislative 14 institution; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 16 presented to the National Conference of State Legislatures as 17 a symbol of our esteem and respect.