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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the members of VFW  
4 Rhine Post 2729 on the 75th anniversary of their charter on  
5 October 29, 2007; and

6           WHEREAS, Rhine Post 2729 was originally organized by a  
7 group of 21 veterans from the First World War; the post  
8 received its charter on October 29, 1932; and

9           WHEREAS, The 21 original members of Rhine Post 2729  
10 struggled to keep the post operating through the years of the  
11 Great Depression, distinguishing themselves by their numerous  
12 patriotic efforts and public displays in the Chicago area  
13 through the Second World War; after the war, with only 16  
14 members remaining, the post decided to concentrate their  
15 efforts on increasing membership, adding over 100 members  
16 within a few months; and

17           WHEREAS, Realizing that the original quarters for the post  
18 were too cramped for the swelling membership, the members of  
19 Rhine Post 2729 started a building drive, purchasing a new  
20 building with a vacant adjacent lot in 1955; the new building  
21 attracted more new members and the post continued to grow; and

1           WHEREAS, Rhine Post 2729 is well known throughout the  
2 Chicagoland area for their many community projects, including  
3 air shows, visiting veterans in Veterans Affairs hospitals, and  
4 essay contests; the post also distributes American flags,  
5 safety posters, and Pledge of Allegiance banners on a regular  
6 basis; and

7           WHEREAS, The pride and joy of the members of Rhine Post  
8 2729 is its senior rifle and drill team, which has earned seven  
9 consecutive championships; and

10           WHEREAS, The patriotism and dedication to public service  
11 exhibited by the members of Rhine Post 2729 serve as an example  
12 for the citizens of the City of Chicago, the State of Illinois,  
13 and the nation; therefore, be it

14           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
15 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
16 congratulate the members of VFW Rhine Post 2729 on the 75th  
17 anniversary of their charter, thank them for their public  
18 service and numerous sacrifices, and wish them continued  
19 success and happiness in their future endeavors; and be it  
20 further

21           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
22 presented to a representative of VFW Rhine Post 2729 as a

1 symbol of our utmost esteem and respect.