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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the organizers and
4 performers of the Chinese New Year Spectacular for their work
5 in the Chinese fine arts; and

6 WHEREAS, The Chinese New Year Spectacular is an event
7 sponsored by New Tang Dynasty Television that celebrates the
8 Chinese New Year and shows appreciation for traditional Chinese
9 culture and art; the performance features world-class
10 performances of traditional Chinese and Western artistry,
11 transporting the audience back in time to ancient China with
12 colorful costumes, graceful dancing, and booming drums to bring
13 Chinese myths and legends to life; the aim of the performers
14 and organizers is to show the true spirit of the Chinese
15 culture expressed in the forms of classical performing arts,
16 giving people around the world a deeper understanding and
17 connection to the Chinese culture; and

18 WHEREAS, The Chinese New Year Spectacular was started in
19 2004, with 500 performers and a live audience totaling 10,000
20 in the cities of New York City, Washington D.C., Taipei, Paris,
21 and Toronto; the 2005 performance featured 1,000 performers and
22 a live audience of 13,500 in 7 cities; in 2006, over 1,000
23 performers performed for over 46,000 spectators in 17 major

1 cities around the globe; the 2007 performance was held in more
2 than 30 cities worldwide; the 2008 global tour will perform in
3 over 60 major cities around the world for over 500,000
4 spectators; and

5 WHEREAS, Over 400 global and local leaders, including
6 President George Bush, Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper,
7 Taiwanese President Chen Shui-Bian, and Vice President of the
8 European Parliament Charlotte Cederschiold, have extended
9 their New Year greetings to the Chinese-speaking population
10 during the 2004, 2005, and 2006 Chinese New Year Global Galas;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, The dedication exhibited by the performers and
13 organizers of the Chinese New Year Spectacular to display the
14 beauty and grandeur of Chinese art and culture to audiences
15 around the world is awe-inspiring and is worthy of the greatest
16 respect; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
18 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
19 congratulate the organizers and performers of the Chinese New
20 Year Spectacular for their hard work and dedication to their
21 craft and wish them continued success and happiness in the
22 future; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to a representative of the Chinese New Year
3 Spectacular as a symbol of our esteem and respect.