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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Jersey County was formed in 1839 out of a portion 3 of neighboring Greene County and is located at the confluence 4 of the Illinois and Mississippi Rivers; and

5 WHEREAS, The county seat of Jerseyville, like the county 6 itself, was named for the native state of many of the early 7 settlers and is home to the historic 1893 courthouse; and

8 WHEREAS, The residents of Jersey County live on the 9 county's abundant farms or in the communities of Jerseyville, 10 Elsah, Grafton, Brighton, Fidelity, Fieldon, Otterville, Dow, 11 Nutwood, Rosedale, Kemper, Chautauqua, Newbern, East Newbern, 12 McClusky, Delhi, New Delhi, and Beltrees; and

13 WHEREAS, Today, Jersey County is home to Illinois' largest 14 State park, Pere Marquette State Park, as well as the 15 Mississippi River State Fish and Wildlife Area, a portion of 16 the Two Rivers National Wildlife Refuge, the majestic scenery 17 of the Great River Road, and the Piasa Bird; and

18 WHEREAS, Jersey County has a growing population of 22,985 19 residents, an increase of more than 6% since the previous 20 census; and HR1204 -2- LRB098 21773 GRL 60627 r
1 WHEREAS, Jersey County is home to such community events as
2 the Jersey County Fair and the annual Jersey County Apple
3 Festival in October; and

4 WHEREAS, Jersey County offers first-class educational 5 institutions, the Jersey Community Hospital, civic and 6 community groups, countless local businesses, and the Jersey 7 County Business Association; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2014, Jersey County is celebrating its 175th 9 anniversary; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 11 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 12 we congratulate the citizens of Jersey County on the occasion 13 of the county's 175th anniversary; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 15 presented to the Chairperson of the Jersey County Board.