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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate and applaud the Belvidere 4 Area Chamber of Commerce on its Centennial Anniversary; and

5 WHEREAS, Since 1915, the Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce 6 has been providing valuable services for its many members in 7 Boone County; to date, the Chamber's membership boasts over 350 8 organizations, including major manufacturers like the Chrysler 9 Group, LLC, the Dean Foods Company, and General Mills; and

10 WHEREAS, In its long and storied history in Boone County, 11 the Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce has remained as strong 12 and determined a "Voice of Business" today as it was at its 13 inception 100 years ago; and

14 WHEREAS, The Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce has proven 15 to be an integral, prominent part of the community; it is an 16 entirely voluntary organization of business and professional 17 men and women who have joined together for the purpose of 18 promoting the civic and commercial progress of the Belvidere 19 area; and

20 WHEREAS, The Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce is a staple 21 organization of the county; it is connected in more than one HR0244 -2- LRB099 11147 MST 31868 r way to the residents of the community; and

2 WHEREAS, The Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce is a proud 3 sponsor of various yearly events that help its members, not 4 only to network, but also to promote the interrelation of 5 various sectors of society; and

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6 WHEREAS, Events like the Boone County Business Exposition, 7 the Annual Dinner, and Hometown Christmas are just some of the 8 examples of the how the Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce 9 helps promote, sustain, and foster a robust and innovative 10 economic climate in the region; and

WHEREAS, The Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce is a member 11 12 of national and statewide organizations, including the United 13 States Chamber of Commerce, the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, 14 the Illinois Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives, the Illinois Retail Merchants Association, the National Federation 15 16 Independent Business, the Northern Illinois Tourism of 17 Council, and the Belvidere Main Street Center; and

18 WHEREAS, The Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce strives to 19 bring a better future to the residents and members, both big 20 and small, of the Belvidere Area by forging together 21 collaboration between volunteers, staff, business, education, 22 and government that is a quintessential embodiment of all of HR0244 -3- LRB099 11147 MST 31868 r the positive qualities that can be found both in Boone County and across the State; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 4 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 5 congratulate the Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce on the 6 momentous occasion of its 100th year of excellence and wish it 7 great success in the bright future that certainly awaits the 8 organization; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 10 presented to the Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce as a symbol 11 of our praise and commendation.