

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to recognize significant  
4 milestones in the history of businesses of the State of  
5 Illinois; and

6 WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that in the month  
7 of May, 2001, Cohn & Stern, Inc., located in Hyde Park,  
8 celebrated its 50th anniversary of being in business; and

9 WHEREAS, Cohn & Stern, Inc. is well-known for providing  
10 fine men's clothing and currently reigns as Hyde Park's  
11 oldest retail clothing store; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1951, Herman Cohn, a trained tailor who owned  
13 and operated a local dry cleaning business where he also sold  
14 suits and ties to order, joined forces with Eric Stern, also  
15 a tailor who sold custom suits; Cohn & Stern, Inc. officially  
16 opened its doors for business on April 5, 1952; and

17 WHEREAS, During its 50-year history, the extraordinary  
18 customer service and quality merchandise provided by Cohn &  
19 Stern, Inc. has allowed Cohn & Stern, Inc. to outlast nearly  
20 all of Chicago's men's retailers with local origins; and

21 WHEREAS, Howard Cohn, the son of co-founder, Herman Cohn,  
22 currently operates the store in the fine tradition that Cohn  
23 & Stern, Inc. has exemplified for the last 50 years;  
24 therefore, be it

25 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
26 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
27 we congratulate Cohn & Stern, Inc. on its 50th anniversary of  
28 being in business; and be it further

29 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to  
30 Howard Cohn and Herman Cohn as an expression of our esteem.