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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, State Farm Insurance Companies was founded in 1922  
3 by George J. Mecherle, a farmer from Merna; and

4 WHEREAS, State Farm's mission is to help people manage the  
5 risks of everyday life, recover from the unexpected, and  
6 realize their dreams; and

7 WHEREAS, State Farm has grown over the past 90 years from a  
8 small farm mutual auto insurer to the leading United States  
9 home insurer and one of the world's largest financial  
10 institutions; and

11 WHEREAS, State Farm employs 68,000 associates, including  
12 more than 16,500 in Illinois; and

13 WHEREAS, About 17,000 State Farm agents are spread across  
14 North America, including over 1,000 in Illinois, who provide  
15 products and services to thousands of families and businesses;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, State Farm is a model corporate citizen,  
18 demonstrating a proven commitment to helping to build safe,  
19 strong, and educated communities, not only in Illinois, but  
20 throughout the nation; and

1           WHEREAS, State Farm's Good Neighbor Citizenship shows  
2 through the company's support and encouragement of associate  
3 and agent volunteerism, numerous initiatives to promote safe  
4 and strong communities and a working collaboration to  
5 strengthen and support public education; and

6           WHEREAS, State Farm's 90-year-old success is built on a  
7 foundation of shared values - quality service and  
8 relationships, mutual trust, integrity, and financial  
9 strength; therefore, be it

10           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
11 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
12 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we congratulate State Farm  
13 Insurance, its leadership, its agents, and its employees as  
14 they celebrate 90 years of being a good neighbor in Illinois  
15 and wish them continued success in the future; and be it  
16 further

17           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to State Farm as a symbol of our esteem and respect.