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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, In 1917, St. Benedict Parish began the
3 construction on its current location in the North Center
4 neighborhood of Chicago after outgrowing the small wooden
5 building in which it was originally located; and

6 WHEREAS, St. Benedict Parish, which is home to nearly 1,300
7 Chicago families, has continued to thrive and grow over the
8 years, adding a preparatory school, a senior outreach center,
9 and hosting numerous community activities and events,
10 including "BenFest", the longest running family festival on the
11 north side; and

12 WHEREAS, St. Benedict Preparatory School currently
13 educates 960 students from preschool to high school, providing
14 them a high quality education rooted in the Catholic faith; and

15 WHEREAS, The impact of the St. Benedict Parish community in
16 Chicago has been, and continues to be, strong and far-reaching;
17 the surrounding neighborhood is commonly referred to as "St.
18 Ben's"; and

19 WHEREAS, In many cases, several generations of families
20 have belonged to St. Benedict Parish and have attended St.
21 Benedict Preparatory School, thus becoming a cornerstone of the

1 community for so many; and

2 WHEREAS, St. Benedict Parish and Preparatory School has a
3 proud tradition of meeting the spiritual, physical, social, and
4 economic needs of its neighbors, including hosting holiday
5 dinners for those in need; and

6 WHEREAS, The faith, community involvement, and generosity
7 of St. Benedict parishioners has had a tremendous impact on the
8 community and the Parish continues to serve generations of
9 Chicagoans; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
11 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
12 congratulate St. Benedict Parish and Preparatory School on its
13 100th anniversary and we wish it continued success in the
14 future; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to St. Benedict Parish as a symbol of our respect and
17 esteem.