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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to recognize the valiant work of those
4 associated with the Boy Scouts of America Iroquois Trail
5 district; and

6 WHEREAS, The Iroquois Trail district represents 32
7 Scouting troops, over 1,000 Scouts, and 350 adult members and
8 volunteers; it has brought the rich tradition of Scouting and
9 community service to the heart of Chicago; it represents a
10 collection of diverse neighborhoods in the City of Chicago,
11 including, Archer Heights, Back of the Yards, Bridgeport,
12 Brighton Park, Canaryville, Cicero, Clearing, Ford City, Gage
13 Park, Little Village, Lower West Side, Marshall Square,
14 McKinley Park, Midway, New City, Pilsen, South Lawndale, and
15 West Elsdon; and

16 WHEREAS, These neighborhoods are some of the most
17 economically depressed areas in Chicago and offer very few
18 community-based youth programs; the Iroquois Trail district
19 leadership has spearheaded outreach into these areas; their
20 commitment and drive to help introduce children and their
21 families to the values of Scouting in these communities is
22 exemplary in following the Scout Oath; and

1 WHEREAS, The Scouts of the Iroquois Trail district should
2 be commended for their tireless work incorporating the
3 underprivileged youth in the City of Chicago into their
4 programs; regardless of gender, ethnicity, skin color, and or
5 sexual orientation, they push for inclusiveness, providing
6 opportunities for those who normally would not have any; their
7 commitment to help guide children to make ethical and moral
8 choices, not just as Scouts but as individuals, should be
9 highlighted; and

10 WHEREAS, As a result of the strong leadership, a number of
11 successes occurred for the Iroquois Trail district Scouts in
12 2016; over 300 new Scouts joined; 13 Scouts reached the highest
13 rank achievable, Eagle Scout; the Scouts collectively
14 volunteered over 5,000 hours of service in their communities
15 and continued in participating in Honor Flights to Washington,
16 D.C. with local veterans; and they collected the most food
17 overall in the past year for the Scouting for Food drive;
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
20 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
21 recognize the valiant work of those associated with the Boy
22 Scouts of America Iroquois Trail district; and be it further

23 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be

1 presented to the members of the Iroquois Trail district as a
2 symbol of our respect and esteem.