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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to commend the DeKalb Rotary Club for their 100 years of service to the community and the world; and

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WHEREAS, The DeKalb Rotary Club was organized under the sponsorship of the Joliet Rotary Club on January 22, 1921; and

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WHEREAS, The DeKalb Rotary Club follows the objectives of Rotary International, including the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service, high ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society, the application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life, and the advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service; and

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WHEREAS, From its inception, the DeKalb Rotary Club began community service projects, including the construction of a swimming pool for DeKalb County citizens and the establishment of a campground for the Boy Scout and Girl Scout organizations in DeKalb County in 1926, which included 27 acres, a pool, and

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1 several buildings; and

2 WHEREAS, To expand service opportunities, the DeKalb
3 Rotary Club sponsored the formation of the Sycamore Rotary
4 Club in 1944 and jointly sponsored the Kishwaukee Sunrise
5 Rotary in 1991; and

6 WHEREAS, The DeKalb Rotary Club has also supported
7 communities across the United States and the world by
8 supporting the global Polio Eradication Initiative, for which
9 Rotary International recognized the DeKalb Rotary Club as one
10 of the top 50 clubs in the world to support the initial
11 fundraising initiative; and

12 WHEREAS, The DeKalb Rotary Club has helped the world even
13 further by partnering with the Rotary Club of San Doná di
14 Piave, Italy to complete two international humanitarian
15 projects, including the purchase of an ambulance for a village
16 in the Congo and gifting an EKG machine to a village in
17 Guatemala; and

18 WHEREAS, The DeKalb Rotary Club continues to live the
19 Rotary motto of "Service Above Self" by providing music
20 recitals to retirement and rehabilitation centers, donating
21 and volunteering with Meals on Wheels, acknowledging
22 outstanding high school students with donations to school

1 programs, and contributing to drug prevention activities,
2 after-school literacy projects, and multiple other service
3 projects benefiting the community; and

4 WHEREAS, The DeKalb Rotary Club has continued to meet
5 during the COVID-19 pandemic through online meetings, ensuring
6 a consistent line of communication with Club members and the
7 community; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
9 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
10 we congratulate the DeKalb Rotary Club on 100 years of service
11 to the community and the world; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the DeKalb Rotary Club as a symbol of our respect
14 and esteem.