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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives wish 3 to congratulate Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church of 4 Cicero on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of its 5 founding; and

6 WHEREAS, Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church has been 7 a pillar in the Chicago region for over 60 years, having been 8 established in 1963 on the west side of Chicago in 1963, in Oak 9 Park in 1966, and in Cicero in 1984; and

10 WHEREAS, Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, as the 11 Shrine of the Miraculous Weeping Icon, has brought joy and 12 hope for many Orthodox Christians, including visitors from all 13 over the world traveling to visit the Miraculous Weeping Icon; 14 and

15 WHEREAS, Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, through 16 dozens of ministries and programs, serves approximately 1,000 17 families scattered across the Chicagoland area that have 18 overcome tragedy and adversity and continue to face many 19 challenges; and

20 WHEREAS, Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church has taken 21 a leadership role among churches and organizations for HR0288 -2- LRB103 31864 MST 60507 r decades, and now, is looking to the future to continue its legacy of growth; and

3 WHEREAS, The Arab-American Christian community has 4 contributed to the Chicago region for over 150 years; 5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 7 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 8 we congratulate Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church of 9 Cicero on the 60th anniversary of its founding, and we wish 10 them many more wonderful years; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 12 presented to Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church as a 13 symbol of our respect and esteem.