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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are proud to honor and celebrate institutions
4 of higher education in the State of Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, Since 1973, Southern Illinois University's School
6 of Law has been serving its students, shaping new legal minds
7 and offering a multitude of programs for individuals seeking
8 their juris doctorate, as well as providing multi-cultural and
9 extracurricular activities; and

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WHEREAS, SIU School of Law offers specializations in
11 business and transactional law, health law, intellectual
12 property, international and comparative law, litigation and
13 dispute resolution, and public interest law; and

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WHEREAS, SIU School of Law offers senior citizens legal
15 assistance through its Civil Practice/Elderly Clinic, serving
16 13 counties in Southern Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, SIU School of Law offers legal assistance to
18 victims of domestic violence, juveniles involved in the
19 justice system, and veterans and their families; and

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WHEREAS, SIU School of Law offers internship and

1 externship opportunities that serve its students and the
2 public greater good, including its judicial and public
3 interest externships; and

4 WHEREAS, SIU School of Law has produced a multitude of
5 great legal minds that have subsequently served the citizens
6 of Illinois and the citizens of the United States through
7 service in elected office; and

8 WHEREAS, SIU School of Law offers its students the
9 opportunity to join over 20 student organizations, including
10 the American Constitution Society, the Black Law Student
11 Association, the Cultural Heritage Law Society, the Federalist
12 Society, the 4th Amendment Association, the Hispanic Latinx
13 Law Student Association, the Intellectual Property Society,
14 the International/Immigration Law Society, the Law Democrats,
15 the Law & Medicine Society, Law Students for Reproductive
16 Justice, Military Law, the SIU Law Social Justice Initiative
17 (NLG), OUTlaw, Parents Attending Law School, Phi Alpha Delta,
18 Phi Delta Phi, the Second Amendment Association, the Sports
19 Lawyers Association, Student Animal Legal Defense, SBA, and
20 the Women's Law Forum; and

21 WHEREAS, SIU School of Law is located on the Carbondale
22 campus and is housed in the Lesar Law Building, named for its
23 first dean, Hiram H. Lesar; and

1 WHEREAS, SIU School of Law has built a strong reputation
2 as an outstanding institution of higher learning that provides
3 its students a collaborative, tight-knit community, which
4 allows its students to thrive through relationship building,
5 shared experiences, and connections that last a lifetime;
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
8 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 we recognize Southern Illinois University School of Law on the
10 occasion of its 50th anniversary; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That we wish the students, faculty, staff, and
12 administration of SIU School of Law the very best, and we thank
13 them for their many contributions to their students and to the
14 greater Southern Illinois region, the State of Illinois, the
15 United States of America, and the entire world; and be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to SIU School of Law in celebration of its 50th
19 anniversary.