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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, All too often the relationship between the news media and government is driven by inflexible deadlines and space constraints and the complexity of translating the nomenclature to everyday English; and

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WHEREAS, The people of Illinois have had a unique opportunity to learn more about the legislative process and State government in the words of those who make those decisions through the combined efforts of the State's public broadcasting stations; and

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WHEREAS, The talents of broadcasters, producers, and journalists from across the State were brought together in this pursuit to focus on issues and allow for true discussions; and

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WHEREAS, These efforts have come to be known as the Illinois Lawmakers series; and

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WHEREAS, As the 2006 Spring Session heads toward adjournment, the Illinois Lawmakers celebrates the 20th anniversary of its inaugural presentation; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the public broadcasters of Illinois be saluted for their efforts to go beyond the sound bites and news briefs to offer substantive reporting of the issues confronting Illinois for the past two decades; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That the special efforts of the hundreds of technicians, the on-air work of many broadcasters, including Bruce DuMont and Jak Tichenor, and the organizational commitment of executive producer Marty McLaughlin of WTTW-TV be recognized in this anniversary season; and be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the Marty McLaughlin as an expression of our
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