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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The institution of marriage is one of the  
3 cornerstones upon which our society is built, and a marriage  
4 that has achieved a notable longevity is truly a model for the  
5 people of the State of Illinois; and

6           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
7 Representatives are pleased to honor Robert E. Mann and Sylvia  
8 A. Mann on their 50-year wedding anniversary, May 5, 2007; and

9           WHEREAS, Robert and Sylvia met in 1953 on the South Side of  
10 Chicago when Sylvia was a nursing student at Michael Reese  
11 Hospital and Bob was a law student at the University of  
12 Chicago; and

13           WHEREAS, Robert Mann served for 16 years as State  
14 Representative of the 24th district; he was named one of the  
15 top ten greatest legislators in Illinois history by Chicago  
16 Magazine; he sponsored landmark legislation to create the  
17 Illinois Housing Development Authority, the School Lunch  
18 Program, the Lake Michigan Bill of Rights, and other important  
19 legislation; and

20           WHEREAS, Sylvia Mann taught nursing for over 30 years at  
21 the University of Illinois at Chicago, Northwestern, and at

1 Chicago State University until her retirement; she was adored  
2 by her students, many of whom now practice at hospitals &  
3 clinics in the Chicago area; she served on numerous community  
4 boards including the former Hyde Park YMCA and the Chicago  
5 Counseling Center; and

6 WHEREAS, Bob and Sylvia Mann have lived in Hyde Park all of  
7 their married life; they have four children, Stephen, Stuart,  
8 Laurie, and Elise, and seven grandchildren; and

9 WHEREAS, Bob and Sylvia Mann are members of KAM  
10 Congregation; they lovingly refer to their family as the  
11 "kosher nostra", based on the combination of Bob's Jewish  
12 background and Sylvia's Italian ancestry; and

13 WHEREAS, The respect for marriage reaches one of its  
14 highest plateaus when a couple such as Bob and Sylvia celebrate  
15 their golden wedding anniversary; and

16 WHEREAS, Bob and Sylvia stand as examples of the best of  
17 our society, and their love and devotion to each other and to  
18 their family and friends serve as a reminder to all that hard  
19 work, dedication, and love can make a difference in today's  
20 world; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

1 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
2 congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Mann on the occasion of  
3 their fiftieth wedding anniversary; that we commend them for  
4 achieving a long and happy marriage, blessed with children and  
5 grandchildren, and rich in friendships; and that we wish them  
6 happiness and good health in the future; and be it further

7       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to Robert and Sylvia Mann as a symbol of our respect  
9 and esteem.