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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the owners and
4 employees of Midwest Generation on the occasion of receiving
5 the 2008 Joliet Region Chamber of Commerce "Salute to Industry"
6 Award; and

7 WHEREAS, Midwest Generation is part of the Edison Mission
8 Group, which owns and operates 40 power generation facilities
9 in 13 states; the company owns 6 electric power stations in
10 Illinois, with 2 stations in Will County, the Joliet Station
11 and the Will County Station in Romeoville; the company employs
12 430 men and women in Will County; and

13 WHEREAS, Midwest Generation is a major contributor to the
14 economy of Will County, providing more than \$90 million in
15 property taxes, payroll, employee benefits, area vendor
16 purchases, and various projects in the communities it serves;
17 the company and its employees also contribute greatly to many
18 local organizations, including the United Way of Will County,
19 Joliet Junior College, the Joliet YMCA, the Joliet Housing
20 Authority, the Joliet Park Foundation, Joliet Township High
21 School, the Joliet Township Fair, the Heartland Blood Center,
22 The Spanish Center, Hill Memorial, and Cornerstone Services;
23 and

1 WHEREAS, Since acquiring its Illinois facilities in 1999,
2 Midwest Generation has maintained its status as a leader in
3 environmental responsibility in power generation; the company
4 spent nearly \$50 million on new pollution controls shortly
5 after its arrival in the State; in December of 2006, the
6 company reached an agreement with the State of Illinois to
7 spend an estimated \$3.5 billion on additional pollution
8 controls over a 10 year period, including one of the first
9 mercury emission control programs in the United States; the
10 company, along with their parent company EMG, also plans to
11 build a large wind energy in LaSalle as an integral part of
12 their wind energy initiative; and

13 WHEREAS, Midwest Generation will receive the "Salute to
14 Industry" Award during a celebration dinner on February 11,
15 2008 at the Holiday Inn Joliet Hotel and Conference Center;
16 therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
18 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
19 congratulate the owners and employees of Midwest Generation on
20 the occasion of receiving the 2008 Joliet Region Chamber of
21 Commerce "Salute to Industry" Award and wish them continued
22 success and happiness in the future; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to a representative of Midwest Generation as a symbol
3 of our esteem and respect.