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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The community colleges of the State of Illinois 3 provide a vital service to those seeking professional careers; 4 the knowledge that these institutions impart upon their 5 students is vital in keeping up with an increasingly complex 6 and competitive world economy; and

WHEREAS, As a highly respected and honorable institution of higher education, Highland Community College has awarded over 11,000 degrees and certificates since 1964; the college has been responsible for fostering a wide range of professionals, from doctors to farmers to automotive technicians; and

WHEREAS, Offering more than 60 programs of applied and transfer degrees, Highland Community College serves over 5,000 students a year in college credit and community education programs, with about 700 additional students receiving adult education services and over 100 students earning their GED annually; the college's Business Institute provides training for working adults throughout northwest Illinois, having served 863 students in FY07; and

WHEREAS, Highland Community College is one of only a few hundred colleges and universities accepted into the Academic Quality Improvement Program of the North Central Association,

- 1 an indication of the institution's consistent quality;
- 2 therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 4 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 5 thank the faculty and staff of Highland Community College and
- 6 the many other community colleges throughout the State for the
- 7 great services that they perform for the people of the State of
- 8 Illinois; and be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 10 presented to Highland Community College as a symbol of our
- 11 respect and esteem.