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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, On April 12, 2008, the staff and congregation of
3 St. Mary Immaculate Parish in Plainfield celebrated the 100th
4 anniversary of the church; and

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WHEREAS, The April 12 celebration took place 100 years to
6 the day since the first Mass was celebrated in the original
7 church location on Lockport Street in Plainfield; and

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WHEREAS, Today the church has a membership of nearly 7,000
9 families and Plainfield is the home to 38,000 inhabitants,
10 significantly changed from the 1,100 residents of 100 years
11 ago; and

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WHEREAS, In the 1950s the parish began buying land along
13 Route 59, and started their vision by first building a school
14 staffed by Franciscan sisters from Joliet; and

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WHEREAS, By 1970 the new church was completed; in August of
16 1990 an F5 tornado leveled the school and seriously damaged the
17 church, after the school was rebuilt, Masses were held in the
18 gymnasium; the new church was completed four years later; and

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WHEREAS, St. Mary Immaculate Parish has endured tough times
20 but come through it as a family; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
3 congratulate the many people who have been a part of the
4 history of St. Mary Immaculate Parish and wish them the best
5 during this anniversary year; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to Pastor David Medow as a symbol of our respect and
8 esteem.