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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the congregation  
4 of the Weldon United Methodist Church on the occasion of the  
5 church's 100th anniversary on June 6, 2009; and

6           WHEREAS, The history of the Weldon United Methodist Church  
7 began on June 6, 1909, when the present church building was  
8 dedicated; the building's original cost was \$14,500; and

9           WHEREAS, As the Weldon United Methodist Church grew in  
10 membership, a new Education Wing was added and consecrated in  
11 1958; the addition provided offices for the pastors, several  
12 Sunday School classrooms, a nursery, a kitchenette, and a  
13 Fellowship room; other renovations the church has performed are  
14 the redecorating of the sanctuary, the modernization of the  
15 kitchen and dining hall, the addition of an elevator, a  
16 beautiful flower garden, and the hanging of portraits of former  
17 members, among other changes; and

18           WHEREAS, In June of 1992, the church's membership grew once  
19 more when the congregation of the Shiloh church moved to the  
20 Weldon United Methodist Church after the closure of the Shiloh  
21 church; in 2000, another change was brought about with the  
22 formation of the group SALT, also known as the Salt Creek

1 Parish, which united the Farmer City, Weedman, and Weldon  
2 churches; and

3 WHEREAS, In addition to the church's regular services, the  
4 Weldon United Methodist Church also holds many special events,  
5 including Bible studies, special speakers, musical groups, the  
6 M & M (Mission and Me) Club, an after-school program, and IYF  
7 for youth; and

8 WHEREAS, The congregation of the Weldon United Methodist  
9 Church will celebrate the church's 100th anniversary on June  
10 14, 2009 with a worship service, special music, and a potluck  
11 dinner; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
13 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
14 congratulate the congregation of the Weldon United Methodist  
15 Church on the occasion of the church's 100th anniversary and  
16 wish them continued success and happiness in the future; and be  
17 it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19 presented to the Weldon United Methodist Church as a symbol of  
20 our esteem and respect.