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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives recognize the important role that the Illinois territory played in the War of 1812; and

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WHEREAS, The Illinois territory was on the border of the conflict between Great Britain, then allied with many Native American nations, and the young United States of America; the British occupied a part and at times all of the Michigan territory and used Illinois territory to conduct Indian raids on American settlements during the war; and

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WHEREAS, Although only a small company of U.S. troops were stationed in the Illinois territory, these brave men held their own against the British and Indian invasions and attacks against settlers in the area; and

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WHEREAS, After the Treaty of Ghent was signed and the war ended, it was once again safe to work and settle in the Illinois territory; and

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WHEREAS, Illinois gained statehood in 1818 and began to form its place in the history of our country; and

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WHEREAS, The Illinois War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission

1 has been formed to recognize the important role that the
2 Illinois territory played in this epic part of American
3 history; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
5 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
6 urge the State of Illinois and the Governor to support the
7 Illinois War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission and their efforts
8 to recognize the upcoming anniversary; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be sent
10 to the Governor of the State of Illinois to recognize the
11 Illinois War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission.