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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 Illinois WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives are pleased to honor the Sons of the American 4 Legion on the 78th anniversary of the organization; and 5 WHEREAS, The American Legion voted to create the Sons of 6 the American Legion in 1932; the first Sons of the American 7 Legion charter was given to the Bruce P. Robinson Post #133 8 Squadron in Indianapolis, Indiana in 1933; and 9 WHEREAS, The Sons of the American Legion is an organization 10 within the American Legion, made up of boys and men of all ages 11 whose parents or grandparents served in the United States 12 military and who are or were eligible for membership in the 13 American Legion; and 14 WHEREAS, There are currently more than 335,000 Sons of the American Legion members in more than 5,500 squadrons in all 50 15 states and 9 foreign countries; there are 238 squadrons in 16 Illinois with more than 14,800 members; and 17

WHEREAS, Since the first year, the Sons of the American Legion has recorded new membership records, 28 in Illinois; in 1990 membership exceeded 100,000 members and in 2009 the 335,000 mark was broken; and

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1 WHEREAS, The Sons of the American Legion donates millions of dollars and contributes millions of man hours to American 2 3 Legion programs and local charities across the United States; 4 in combination with the American Legion and the American Legion 5 Auxiliary, the three groups care for our nation's veterans and 6 their families, work to improve the quality of life for 7 children, preserve the traditions and values of the United 8 States, and teach fundamentals of good citizenship; therefore, 9 be it

RESOLVED, ΒY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ΟF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the members of the Sons of the American Legion, Detachment of Illinois, on a fabulously successful year, and declare June 26, 2010, Sons of the American Legion Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to a representative of the Sons of the American Legion, Detachment of Illinois.