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1   HOUSE RESOLUTION

2   WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the members of the
4 Calhoun County Farm Bureau on the occasion of the
5 organization's 90th anniversary; and

6   WHEREAS, The Calhoun County Farm Bureau held its first
7 annual meeting in 1921; the organization's first president was
8 Albert Frank, who served from 1921 to 1931; from 1921 to 2011,
9 the organization has had 21 presidents; the organization's
10 current president, Robert Reed, has served as president since
11 1995; and

12   WHEREAS, The Calhoun County Farm Bureau has been
13 instrumental in numerous improvements in Calhoun County in the
14 last 90 years; the bureau wrote the grant and solicited funds
15 to bring an ambulance to Calhoun County in 1974; the county's
16 first EMT class was held in the Farm Bureau building in the
17 fall of 1974; the bureau was responsible for bringing a doctor
18 to Calhoun County over 30 years ago; the bureau worked with
19 John Block for seven years to get the Farmland Assessment Bill
20 written, passed, and implemented; the bureau curtailed the
21 Scenic Byway from coming into Calhoun County; the bureau was
22 also responsible for the drafting of House Bill 704, which
23 allowed Calhoun County and two other counties to go from three

1   county commissioners to five; and

2   WHEREAS, The Calhoun County Farm Bureau and its members
3   serve as models of hard work, integrity, and dedication for the
4   people of the State of Illinois; therefore, be it

5   RESOLVED,   BY   THE   HOUSE   OF   REPRESENTATIVES   OF   THE
6   NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
7   we congratulate the members of the Calhoun County Farm Bureau
8   on the occasion of the organization's 90th anniversary and wish
9   them continued success in the future; and be it further

10   RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11   presented to the Calhoun County Farm Bureau as a symbol of our
12   esteem and respect.