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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House wish to  
3 recognize the 2013 Dream Machine Recycle Rally; and

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WHEREAS, Since its launch in 2010, the Dream Machine  
5 Recycle Rally has galvanized K-12 schools across the country,  
6 their faculty, and surrounding communities to help make the  
7 planet cleaner and greener through recycling; and

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WHEREAS, Nearly 1,000 schools in 34 states have  
9 participated in the program since its launch, and nearly 40  
10 million beverage containers - almost 2 million pounds - have  
11 been captured and kept out of landfills; and

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WHEREAS, In its 3rd-year (2012), the program awarded nearly  
13 \$200,000 in prizes to participating schools across the country;  
14 one of the programs's sponsors, PepsiCo, has contributed over  
15 \$500,000 in prizes over the 3 years of the program; 3 schools  
16 will be awarded the Dream Green Makeover Grand Prize this May  
17 and June, \$25,000 to be used for green improvements at the  
18 schools, such as solar panels, energy-efficient printers,  
19 outdoor classrooms, and much more; and

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WHEREAS, Since the program's launch, it has had a great  
21 charitable partner in the Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for

1 Veterans with Disabilities (EBV); the more plastic bottles and  
2 aluminum cans recycled through the program the more support  
3 PepsiCo provides to EBV, which provides training in  
4 entrepreneurship and small business management to post-9/11  
5 veterans with disabilities; PepsiCo has given \$1.5 million to  
6 EBV over the 3 years since the program's beginning; and

7 WHEREAS, The first grand-prize celebration of this year's  
8 Dream Machine Recycle and Rally program will take place on May  
9 22, 2013, at St. Bede Catholic School in Ingleside; the school  
10 showed a huge dedication to recycling this past year with more  
11 than 550,000 plastic bottles and aluminum cans collected;  
12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
14 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
15 we recognize the Dream Machine Recycle and Rally program and  
16 St. Bede's commitment to recycling; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to the Dream Machine Recycle Rally organizers and to  
19 St. Bede's Catholic School.