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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate River City
4 Construction on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of its
5 founding; and

6 WHEREAS, In October of 2014, River City Construction will
7 celebrate its 30th year in business; since its inception, River
8 City Construction has completed over \$3,750,000,000 worth of
9 construction projects; River City Construction was founded on
10 the guiding principles of providing quality projects that are
11 completed safely, on time, within budget, and with an
12 uncompromising commitment to customer satisfaction; as such,
13 River City Construction has established and maintained
14 long-term, ongoing relationships with many of the customers it
15 works with - a testament to River City Construction's
16 commitment to its guiding principles; and

17 WHEREAS, River City Construction was founded in 1984 by 6
18 middle management employees - Jim Barr, Don Brennan, Joe West,
19 Wynne Carter, Lu Ori, and Jim Wendle - who had previously
20 worked for V. Jobst and Sons; these individuals decided to pool
21 their resources and do whatever it took to make a go of a new
22 construction company; it was a courageous move and their gamble
23 paid off as River City Construction's principals aggressively

1 pursued and won a number of contracts; and

2 WHEREAS, In 1992, River City Construction opened its second
3 location in Benton with the office being managed by Bernie
4 Koch; he started at River City Construction in 1987 as a
5 project manager, becoming a company principal in 1991; he has
6 served as River City Construction's President since 2008; in
7 1998, the River City Design Group was formed; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2002, River City Construction moved into its
9 new headquarters in East Peoria; this building has served both
10 as a functional and aesthetically pleasing environment for
11 staff as well as a welcoming environment for visiting clients;
12 it also serves as an example of River City's design and
13 building talents; and

14 WHEREAS, In 2004, River City Construction opened an office
15 in Ashland, Missouri with the office being managed by John
16 Sutherland; he was hired by River City Construction in 1993 as
17 a project manager, and in January of 2009, he became a company
18 principal; and

19 WHEREAS, River City Construction's core values have not
20 changed but its business has indeed grown and expanded over 30
21 years; today, River City Construction's principals include:
22 President Bernie Koch and Vice-Presidents Lu Ori, John

1 Hoelscher, Eric Bursott, John Sutherland, Kent Kampwerth, and
2 Steve Dorris; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
5 we congratulate River City Construction on its 30th anniversary
6 and wish its officers and employees every success in the
7 future; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to River City Construction as an expression of our
10 esteem and respect.