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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The Smith-Lever Act of 1914 codified into federal law and provided funding for outreach endeavors at the Land-Grant Universities founded by the Morrill Act of 1862; the appropriation for Cooperative Extension as established by Smith-Lever was unique in that it set up a shared partnership among the federal, state, and county levels of government; a formula funding mechanism was designed to insure that there was support from each of the levels to help the fledgling system achieve stability and leverage resources; and

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WHEREAS, The original formula called for federal funding to be divided in the following manner: 20% shared by all states in equal proportions, 40% shared in the proportion that the rural population inhabits, and 40% shared in the proportion that the farm population inhabits; and

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WHEREAS, The original formula called federal funding to be divided in a manner based on an agrarian society; in the 1980s, Extension responded to societal problems, which included urban issues; 47% of Illinois Extension funds come from State sources, while 32% of funds come from federal sources, and 18% come from local sources; and

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WHEREAS, University of Illinois Extension in Cook County

1 continues to provide residents with programs to address urban
2 issues in the 1990s, as the expansion of urban areas increased;
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we designate the month
6 of May 2014 as University of Illinois Extension in Cook County
7 Month in the State of Illinois to celebrate the 100 years of
8 dedicated service that Extension has provided to the residents
9 of Cook County.