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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, It has come to the attention of the members of the  
3 Illinois House of Representatives that Pennoyer School in  
4 Norridge is celebrating the 175th anniversary of its founding;  
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6           WHEREAS, Built in the winter of 1839, Pennoyer School's  
7 first schoolhouse was a one-room building with a wood-burning  
8 stove; the school has since grown into a complex educational  
9 facility serving over 400 students; and

10           WHEREAS, It was agreed that every adult in the area would  
11 contribute \$5 for materials and would pitch in to help build  
12 the school on land donated by John Pennoyer, whom the school is  
13 named after; and

14           WHEREAS, In 1893, the second and larger one-room school was  
15 built on the same site; a third school was built in the same  
16 location in 1920; in 1941, 2 new rooms were added to the  
17 building; in 1950, an additional 4 rooms and an all-purpose  
18 room were added; and

19           WHEREAS, In 1955, construction started on the school at the  
20 present Cumberland address; upon completion, the school  
21 building had 8 classrooms; and

1           WHEREAS, In 1991, renovations of the existing school  
2 building took place; the school continues to offer preschool,  
3 kindergarten, and elementary programs, as well as Special  
4 Education programs; and

5           WHEREAS, The school district has earned many awards and  
6 accolades throughout the years, including Academic Excellence  
7 Awards from the Illinois State Board of Education in 2009,  
8 2010, 2011, and 2012; therefore, be it

9           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
10 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
11 congratulate Pennoyer School as it celebrates the 175th  
12 anniversary of its founding and extend our best wishes to the  
13 administration, staff, and students for continued success in  
14 the future; and be it further

15           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
16 presented to Brad Voehringer, superintendent of Pennoyer  
17 School District 78.