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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Chilli has long held a special place in the hearts 3 of those who reside in the Taylorville area; and

WHEREAS, There are five International Chili Society 4 sanctioned cook-offs held each year in Taylorville (more than 5 any other town in Illinois); the Palomino Club Chili Cook-off 6 "Lincoln Prairie Trail Regional" in May; the Palomino Club 7 8 Chili Cook-off "Aldo Klinghammer Memorial Chili Shuffle 9 Regional" in May; the Christian County Ag Fair "Illinois State 10 Championship" Chili Cook-off in July; the Taylorville 11 Chillifest "Chillinois Regional" in October; and Taylorville Chillifest "Central States Regional" in October; 12 13 and

- WHEREAS, Together these cook-offs bring 12 chilli cooking world champions to Taylorville each year; and
- 16 WHEREAS, World champions Tom Calvert and Bob Hall are both 17 Taylorville residents; and
- 18 WHEREAS, As many as 10,000 people come to Taylorville to
  19 partake in the festivals held during the cook-offs; therefore,
  20 be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 2 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 3 declare Taylorville to be the Chilli Capital of the State of
- 4 Illinois; and be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 6 presented to Taylorville Mayor Greg Brotherton.