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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The School of Technology established its roots

- 3 at Eastern Illinois University in 1902 when courses in Manual
- 4 Training were offered for handwork courses for teachers led
- 5 by the first chair of Manual Training, Ms. Caroline A.
- 6 Forbes; over the years, the Illinois Board of Higher
- 7 Education approved the Industrial Technology program, with
- 8 three options: light building construction, electronics, and
- 9 metals; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Dr. Walter Klehm was instrumental in
- 11 establishing the new School of Industrial Arts and Technology
- 12 and was appointed Dean of the new school; the Applied
- 13 Arts-Education Center was completed in 1968 to house the new
- 14 school; and
- WHEREAS, In the 1970s, the School of Industrial Arts and
- 16 Technology changed to the School of Technology and more
- 17 advanced course offerings were made and a master's program
- 18 was added; and
- 19 WHEREAS, In 1983, the Industrial Technology program was
- 20 accredited by the National Association of Industrial
- 21 Technology and reaccredited in 1987 and 1994; the School of
- 22 Technology, the School of Family and Consumer Sciences, the
- 23 Career Organizational Studies program, and the Military
- 24 Science Department were reorganized in the College of Applied
- 25 Sciences in 1984 and in 1993, the College of Applied Sciences
- 26 merged with the Lumpkin College of Business to become the
- 27 Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences; and
- 28 WHEREAS, The School of Technology has one of the finest
- 29 programs of higher education in the Midwest; its dedicated
- 30 and highly qualified faculty and staff serve both the needs
- of the students and provide consulting and training needs for
- 32 the business and industrial community; the faculty are

- 1 recognized nationally and internationally and have received
- 2 numerous awards for teaching excellence; they have been on
- 3 the cutting edge of research and scholarship and have served
- 4 their community and profession at the highest levels; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The School of Technology's degree programs
- 6 provide a broad education that emphasizes the study of
- 7 materials, processes, and management; the programs provide
- 8 its students with the technological expertise and academic
- 9 background necessary for careers in industry, business,
- 10 government, and education; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The School of Technology will celebrate its
- 12 Centennial Anniversary on September 20 to September 21, 2002;
- 13 to commemorate the event, the school has established the
- 14 "Caroline A. Forbes Centennial Scholarship Endowment Fund"
- which will provide scholarships to future freshman Technology
- 16 majors; and
- WHEREAS, Since its inception in 1902, pride, passion for
- 18 excellence, and leadership are traits that have put the
- 19 School of Technology at Eastern Illinois University on the
- 20 forefront for education and economic development in East
- 21 Central Illinois; therefore, be it
- 22 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 23 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 24 we congratulate the School of Technology at Eastern Illinois
- 25 University on the celebration of its Centennial Anniversary;
- 26 and be it further
- 27 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 28 presented to Louis V. Hencken, President of Eastern Illinois
- 29 University, and to Mahyar Izadi, Chairman of the School of
- 30 Technology, as an expression of our esteem.