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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
- Representatives wish to recognize the Silverleaf "Let's Go Ag!"
- 4 4-H Club's 100th anniversary; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The club's first leader was Ferdinand Basting,
- 6 followed by Glen Rader, Gordon Ropp, Roberta Ropp, and Diana
- 7 Ropp; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Over the last century, members of the club have
- 9 done a variety of service projects to benefit the Central
- 10 Illinois area such as participating in Adopt A Highway in
- 11 Central Illinois and Adopt A School in Chicago, visiting
- 12 nursing home residents at Christmas and providing homemade
- 13 holiday cards, providing bottled water at the Tri-Shark
- 14 Triathlon, maintaining planters on the grounds of the McLean
- 15 County Museum of History, and sponsoring blood drives for the
- 16 American Red Cross of the Heartland; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Each year, the club participates in the McLean
- 18 County Fair; over the years, six members of the club have been
- 19 crowned royalty at the fair; members participate in an ice
- 20 cream sundae booth and "Share the Fun" skits at the fair;
- "Let's Go Ag!" has won the State 4-H Softball Championship; and

1 Several club members have had significant WHEREAS, 2 successes, being chosen for leadership in a variety of areas; 3 members have served as international youth exchange students and attended the National 4-H Congress and Club Camp in 4 5 Washington, D.C.; as adults, several former members been 6 appointed as members of the McLean County Farm Bureau Board of 7 Directors; one former member has served as the Director of the 8 Illinois Department of Agriculture, and other former members 9 have held key leadership roles in Bloomington Normal Rotary 10 Clubs, including serving as Governor of District 6490; and

- 11 WHEREAS, The anniversary will be celebrated with shared 12 memories, ice cream, pie, and cake on the afternoon of July 8, 13 2017 at the McLean County Fairgrounds in Bloomington; 14 therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
  HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
  recognize the Silverleaf "Let's Go Ag!" 4-H Club's 100th
  anniversary, and we wish them many more successful years; and
  be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 21 presented to the Silverleaf "Let's Go Ag!" 4-H Club as a symbol 22 of our respect and esteem.