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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois General Assembly are 2 3 pleased to recognize St. Joseph Catholic Church in Benld on the 4 occasion of its Centennial Jubilee; and 5 WHEREAS, Construction for St. Joseph Catholic Church began 6 in April of 1915; and 7 WHEREAS, The first mass was celebrated by the founder of 8 the church, Reverend John Crosson on April 14, 1916 and has 9 continued every Sunday since; and WHEREAS, St. Joseph Catholic Church is celebrating its 10 Centennial Jubilee on April 9, 2016; and 11 12 WHEREAS, The milestone anniversary celebrations will begin with a Mission Week from March 13 to March 17 and include a 13 14 mass, lecture, and prayer service at the parish; and WHEREAS, The Centennial Jubilee celebration will include a 15 16 of Thanksqiving on April 9, 2016 that will be 17 co-celebrated by Bishop Thomas Paprocki of the Diocese of Springfield and other Diocesan priests, with a dinner and 18 19 reception to follow; and

1 WHEREAS, St. Joseph Catholic Church is the home parish to

- 2 110 families; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The parish holds annual events such as the St.
- 4 Joseph Feast Day Celebration in March, a salad luncheon in
- 5 April, and a Christmas dinner in December; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Their current pastor is Reverend Michael Haaq, who
- 7 is also the pastor of Ss. Mary and Joseph in Carlinville and
- 8 Ss. Simon and Jude in Gillespie; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Church leadership also includes their Parochial
- 10 Vicar, Father Marianna Sathuluri, and Pastor Emeritus
- 11 Monsignor Lawrence Auda; and
- 12 WHEREAS, St. Joseph Catholic Church continues to be a
- 13 community leader; therefore, be it
- 14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 15 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 16 congratulate St. Joseph Catholic Church on their Centennial
- Jubilee and wish them success and prosperity in the future; and
- 18 be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 20 presented to St. Joseph Catholic Church as a symbol of our

1 esteem and respect.