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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to commend the many local businesses that
4 donated their time, money, and support to O'Fallon Fraternal
5 Order of the Police Lodge 198 in order to bestow a
6 custom-designed, 14-passenger bus to the Parent Teacher
7 Organization for Exceptional Children; and

8 WHEREAS, The Parent Teacher Organization for Exceptional
9 Children (PTOEC) was founded by parents, teachers, and
10 community members to offer individuals with intellectual
11 disabilities a united opportunity to socialize and participate
12 in individual and team sports; and

13 WHEREAS, The PTOEC was in dire need of a new vehicle due to
14 its prior transportation being in poor working condition and
15 not wheelchair accessible; and

16 WHEREAS, When O'Fallon Fraternal Order of the Police (FOP)
17 Lodge 198 discovered that the PTOEC could not afford new
18 transportation, the order enlisted the help of several local
19 businesses to help raise the money and provide the labor
20 necessary to work on fine-tuning a new bus; and

21 WHEREAS, O'Fallon FOP Lodge 198 received overwhelming

1 support from local businesses to make a \$25,000 donation, the
2 largest the order has ever made as an organization, to the
3 PTOEC; and

4 WHEREAS, On September 15, 2023, O'Fallon FOP Lodge 198
5 surprised the athletes of PTOEC at their monthly fun night by
6 gifting them their new custom-designed, 14-passenger bus; and

7 WHEREAS, The PTOEC's new bus will allow the organization
8 to better support its athletes by getting them to Special
9 Olympics events, whether local or further away, safely;
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
12 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
13 we commend the many local businesses that donated their time,
14 money, and support to O'Fallon Fraternal Order of the Police
15 (FOP) Lodge 198 in order to bestow a custom-designed,
16 14-passenger bus to the Parent Teacher Organization for
17 Exceptional Children (PTOEC); and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
19 delivered to O'Fallon FOP Lodge 198, South Beach Motors,
20 Moreland Auto Body, Tactical Towing & Recovery Inc., Mission
21 Accomplished Tire and Auto, Southern Bus & Mobility, United
22 Ink, and Romano's License Service as a symbol of our esteem and

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1 respect.