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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, On November 10, 1775, the Continental Congress
3 authorized the formation of two battalions of Marines in
4 Philadelphia, beginning what would become the United States
5 Marine Corps; and

6 WHEREAS, The U.S. Marine Corps has protected Americans and
7 guarded their freedom for 250 years, serving with distinction
8 in all wars in which the United States has been involved; and

9 WHEREAS, As the United States established a position of
10 world leadership, the Marines have proven themselves as
11 dedicated professionals willing to defend the lives and rights
12 of Americans and of our allies of freedom around the world; and

13 WHEREAS, Since the formation of the Marines, the term
14 "Marine" has been associated with courage and military
15 proficiency; and

16 WHEREAS, The residents of Illinois are proud of the
17 State's rich contribution to the Marine tradition and respect
18 the Marines serving around the globe; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
20 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that

1 we congratulate the United States Marine Corps on its 250th
2 birthday and commend the sacrifices and valor displayed by
3 Marines.