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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the USA Men's Hockey Team  
4 on defeating Canada for an Olympic gold medal in the Milano  
5 Cortina 2026 Winter Olympics in Italy; and

6           WHEREAS, The USA Men's Hockey Team took home its third  
7 overall Olympic gold medal in hockey and its first Olympic  
8 gold medal since the historic victory over the Soviet Union in  
9 the 1980 Winter Olympics; and

10           WHEREAS, The USA Men's Hockey Team played five games  
11 before facing Canada, with a 5-1 win over Latvia, a 6-3 win  
12 over Denmark, a 5-1 win over Germany, a 2-1 overtime win  
13 against Sweden, and, penultimately, a 6-2 win over Slovakia;  
14 and

15           WHEREAS, The USA Men's Hockey Team faced Canada in an epic  
16 gold-medal game that went into overtime, with the USA team  
17 only allowing one point during regulation thanks to goalie  
18 Connor Hellebuyck allowing only one goal out of the 42 shots he  
19 faced; USA forward Matt Boldy scored against Canada six  
20 minutes into the first period of the game; and

21           WHEREAS, With the score at the end of regulation being

1 1-1, the USA Men's Hockey Team and the Canadian team went into  
2 a sudden-death overtime; three minutes in, Jack Hughes scored  
3 against Canada, securing the game and an Olympic gold medal;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The USA Men's Hockey Team is led by Head Coach  
6 Mike Sullivan, Assistant Coaches John Hynes, John Tortorella,  
7 David Quinn, Goaltending Coach Mike Buckley, and Video Coaches  
8 Madison Nikkel and Mike King; and

9 WHEREAS, The USA Men's Hockey Team includes Matt Boldy of  
10 the Minnesota Wild, Kyle Connor of the Winnipeg Jets, Jack  
11 Eichel of the Vegas Golden Knights, Brock Faber of the  
12 Minnesota Wild, Jake Guentzel of the Tampa Bay Lightning, Noah  
13 Hanifin of the Vegas Golden Knights, Connor Hellebuyck of the  
14 Winnipeg Jets, Jack Hughes of the New Jersey Devils, Quinn  
15 Hughes of the Minnesota Wild, Clayton Keller of the Utah  
16 Mammoth, Jackson LaCombe of the Anaheim Ducks, Dylan Larkin of  
17 the Detroit Red Wings, Captain Auston Matthews of the Toronto  
18 Maple Leafs, Alternate Captain Charlie McAvoy of the Boston  
19 Bruins, J.T. Miller of the New York Rangers, Brock Nelson of  
20 the Colorado Avalanche, Jake Oettinger of the Dallas Stars,  
21 Jake Sanderson of the Ottawa Senators, Jaccob Slavin of the  
22 Carolina Hurricanes, Jeremy Swayman of the Boston Bruins, Tage  
23 Thompson of the Buffalo Sabres, Brady Tkachuk of the Ottawa  
24 Senators, Alternate Captain Matthew Tkachuk of the Florida

1 Panthers, Vincent Trocheck of the New York Rangers, and Zach  
2 Werenski of the Columbus Blue Jackets; and

3 WHEREAS, The USA Men's Hockey Team's victory over Canada  
4 and Olympic gold medal have brought considerable pride to the  
5 residents of the State of Illinois and the United States as a  
6 whole, and this achievement will be cherished for decades to  
7 come; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
9 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
10 we formally congratulate the USA Men's Hockey Team for winning  
11 an Olympic gold medal at the 2026 Milano Cortina Winter  
12 Olympics; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be given  
14 to Head Coach Mike Sullivan, the assistant coaches, and the  
15 players for their incredible victory.