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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to commend the partnership between 4 Illinois State University and Vladimir State University and its 5 President, Rector Saralidze; and

6 WHEREAS, Founded in 1958, Vladimir State University (VSU) 7 is a large scientific-educational institution in the center of Russia with more than 20,000 students, including 300 foreign 8 9 citizens; since 1978, the University has been training 10 specialists for foreign countries, and graduates work in 46 11 countries; the University recently won a competition organized by the Ministry of Education and Science of Russia and has been 12 granted the status of the Flagship University of the Vladimir 13 14 Region; only 33 universities in Russia have such status; and

15 WHEREAS, Illinois State University's first student-led 16 trip to Vladimir State University was in 2015; ISU has taken 17 students each May since then; a total of 34 students from the 18 School of Kinesiology and Recreation have participated in this 19 experience; students have also traveled to Vladimir State 20 University with the College of Education; and

21 WHEREAS, Illinois State University partners with Vladimir 22 State University's Institute of Physical Culture and Sport, HR0223 -2- LRB101 11710 ALS 58223 r
which provides education in majors very similar to Illinois
State's School of Kinesiology and Recreation; and

3 WHEREAS, Illinois State University's relationship with 4 Vladimir State University is a direct result of activities 5 supported and hosted by the Vladimir-Canterbury Sister Cities Association (VCSCA); their partnership has been awarded 6 7 multiple Open World grants on various topics, including one on 8 special education topics, hosted by Illinois State, that led to 9 involvement from the University's College of Education, as well 10 as one on agriculture, which led to involvement from the 11 University's Department of Agriculture; and

12 WHEREAS, Illinois State University will host an Open World 13 exchange that will allow for a few faculty from Vladimir State 14 to visit and discuss educational best practices; therefore, be 15 it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 17 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 18 we commend the partnership between Illinois State University 19 and Vladimir State University and wish them many successful 20 years; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be 22 presented to Illinois State University and Vladimir State HR0223 -3- LRB101 11710 ALS 58223 r University President Rector Saralidze as an expression of our esteem and respect.

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