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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, On March 17, 2022, during the annual celebration 3 of the Feast of Saint Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, 4 Irish Americans join with men, women, and children of all 5 other ethnic origins who, for one day, become Irish and 6 celebrate St. Patrick and love of Ireland; and

7 WHEREAS, On Saint Patrick's Day, all who wear the green 8 live for a day in the spirit of Saints Patrick, Bridget, and 9 Columcille whose 1500th anniversary was in the last year; and

10 WHEREAS, Irish immigrants in the United States helped form 11 the cultural foundation of the nation, and those of Irish 12 lineage today proudly sing support for Ireland; and

13 WHEREAS, With leadership in all 50 states, the American 14 Irish State Legislators Caucus was established with the aim of 15 fostering and strengthening the longstanding relationship that 16 exists between the United States of America and Ireland to the 17 mutual benefit of both countries; and

18 WHEREAS, The songs of Ireland are the tragic songs of 19 love, joyous songs of battle, nostalgic reveries of the 20 sorrows and the glories that are the Emerald Isle, the 21 lamentations of life's myriad travails, and odes to joy and HR0656 -2- LRB102 26161 ECR 35755 r the life eternal; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 3 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 4 we commemorate the celebration of the Feast of St. Patrick, 5 the Patron Saint of Ireland; and be it further

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6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Chair of the Senate of Ireland, Senator Mark 7 Daly, and the National Co-Chairs of the American Irish State 8 9 Legislators Caucus, Speaker Robin Vos of Wisconsin, 10 Assemblywoman Carol Murphy of New Jersey, Representative 11 Killian Timoney of Kentucky, Representative Fran Hurley of Illinois, Senator Shannon O'Brien of Montana, and Senator Mia 12 Costello of Alaska. 13