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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the Southern Illinois
4 Chapter of the American Guild of Organists on the occasion of
5 its 40th anniversary; and

6 WHEREAS, The mission of the American Guild of Organists is
7 to foster a thriving community of musicians who share their
8 knowledge and inspire passion for the organ; and

9 WHEREAS, To further this mission, local chapters of the
10 organization were formed across the country; and

11 WHEREAS, On June 6, 1983, the Southern Illinois Chapter of
12 the American Guild of Organists was re-established by Marianne
13 Webb and fellow organists in southern Illinois; and

14 WHEREAS, Since that time, the membership area of the
15 chapter has expanded to include southeastern Missouri and
16 northwestern Kentucky; and

17 WHEREAS, For 40 years, the chapter's mission has been to
18 provide interest in future organists, to promote the hearing
19 and playing of organ music, and to continually build a
20 community of people interested in organ playing and choral

1 conducting; and

2 WHEREAS, The chapter meets its mission by hosting recitals
3 and hymn festivals, providing scholarships to students
4 interested in studying the organ, providing workshops for
5 chapter members, and participating in community arts events;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, In celebration of the 40th anniversary of the
8 chapter and in memory of the legacy of the founding member,
9 Marianne Webb, former students of hers are leading a hymn
10 festival at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Carbondale on
11 February 19, 2023; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
13 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
14 we join in celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Southern
15 Illinois Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, and we
16 wish continued success to the chapter as it trains the next
17 generation; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to the Southern Illinois Chapter of the American
20 Guild of Organists as an expression of our esteem and respect.