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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate the Illinois PTA on 125 years of service to the children of the State of Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, On May 30, 1900, the Illinois Congress of Mothers, now known as the Illinois Congress of Parents and Teachers (Illinois PTA) was chartered in Evanston under the tutelage of Kate McMullen, aided by local women's clubs, educators, and legal experts, to enhance and enrich the educational environment for all children and youth; and

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WHEREAS, For 125 years, the Illinois PTA has been instrumental in striving to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children; and

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WHEREAS, The Illinois PTA has been instrumental in providing resources for parents, including the implementation of programs to give parents a wide range of information designed to protect the health and well-being of children, youth, and families; and

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WHEREAS, The Illinois PTA has been a strong advocate for children and families by securing the passage of legislation

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1 improving child labor laws, increasing the funding for public
2 education, establishing and expanding kindergarten and early
3 childhood programs, supporting the addition of school bus
4 safety arms and juvenile justice initiatives, and improving
5 certification standards for teachers; and

6 WHEREAS, The Illinois PTA has continuously worked to
7 emphasize the need for families, schools, and communities to
8 establish collaborative environments for the education of all
9 students; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
11 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
12 we congratulate the Illinois PTA on 125 years of continued
13 commitment to the furtherance of its mission to advocate on
14 behalf of children and families throughout the State of
15 Illinois.