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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to 3 congratulate the Christian County Agricultural Fair on its 4 100-year anniversary; and

5 WHEREAS, The Christian County Agricultural Fair started as 6 a small fair and livestock show held in Manners Park for a few 7 years and was officially founded on April 29, 1924, organized 8 as the Christian Count Agricultural Fair Association with a 9 mission to promote and hold an educational and agricultural 10 fair and exhibit; and

11 WHEREAS, The Christian County Agricultural Fair has stayed 12 strong for 100 years because of the outstanding support of the 13 community and is run completely by volunteers; and

14 WHEREAS, The Christian County Agricultural Fair stays true 15 to tradition while also embracing modernity; while some older 16 events, including the calf scramble, the majorette contest, 17 and the rodeo, have been replaced with new experiences, many 18 older fair traditions have persisted, including the Miss 19 Christian County Pageant, with records of the event dating 20 back to 1931; and

21 WHEREAS, Features of the Christian County Agricultural

SR1185 -2-LRB103 42334 ECR 75558 r Fair this year included carnival rides, the Miss Christian 1 2 County Pageant, a chili cook off, the junior livestock show, 3 the young America day tot-rod pedal pull, multiple magic shows, a classic car cruise, charcuterie provided by the 4 5 Botanical Boards of Taylorville, wine and spirits with live music, the Scovill mobile zoo, demolition derbies, and much 6 7 more; and

8 WHEREAS, To make this milestone year extra special, the 9 Christian County Agricultural Fair, for the first time in over 10 30 years, included a concert, with Rodney Atkins playing on 11 July 19th, 2024; and

12 WHEREAS, The ribbon-cutting ceremony for the 100th annual 13 Christian County Agricultural Fair was held on July 9, 2024 14 and in celebration of the 100th year of the fair a 15 commemorative plaque will be permanently displayed in the fair 16 office; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL 18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the 19 Christian County Agricultural Fair on its 100-year anniversary 20 and wish it continued success; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 22 presented to the Christian County Agricultural Fair Board as a SR1185 -3- LRB103 42334 ECR 75558 r

1 symbol of our esteem and respect.