



1

HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, Carmon DeLeone celebrates his 20th season as Music  
3 Director and Conductor of the Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra  
4 at the Grand Opening Night Concert on November 5, 2005 at The  
5 Center for Performing Arts, Governors State University; and

6           WHEREAS, The Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra is the  
7 largest performing arts organization in the Chicago Southland  
8 providing professional orchestral music of beauty and  
9 excellence to the region; it draws audiences from Chicago,  
10 Indiana, and Michigan, and more than 68 south and southwest  
11 suburbs; now in its 28th season, the Illinois Philharmonic  
12 integrates artistry, repertoire, education, diversity, and  
13 collaborations with its performances; and

14           WHEREAS, In 1995, Maestro DeLeone was named the Illinois  
15 Music Director of the Year by the Illinois Council of  
16 Orchestras; under his leadership, the Orchestra has expanded  
17 the scope and content of its musical programming and was named  
18 Illinois Orchestra of the Year in 1992; and

19           WHEREAS, He has also been Music Director of the Cincinnati  
20 Ballet for 36 years, and this season also marks his 23rd year  
21 as Music Director of the Middletown Symphony in Ohio; at New  
22 York's Carnegie Hall, he has served as Conductor and Host of  
23 the Family Concert Series and, in Europe, has conducted  
24 frequent performances with the Luxembourg Philharmonic  
25 Orchestra; and

26           WHEREAS, A talented composer, he has written many original  
27 scores for the Ballet; his best known work, the full-length  
28 ballet in two acts, Peter Pan, garnered rave reviews at its  
29 opening and first revival in Cincinnati and equal praise when  
30 it was presented by Ballet West in Salt Lake City, Iowa City,  
31 and Anchorage; his other compositions for the Ballet include

1 Frevo, Guernica, With Timbrel and Dance Praise His Name, and  
2 Ruth Page's Billy Sunday, which was nationally televised in  
3 1983 with Johnny Bench as host; and

4 WHEREAS, He is frequently asked to guest conduct other  
5 orchestras throughout the United States, Canada, Australia,  
6 Puerto Rico, and Europe; he has been featured in performances  
7 with orchestras in Dallas, Vancouver, New Orleans, and  
8 Pittsburgh among others; in 1991, he made his European debut  
9 with the Philharmonic Orchestra of Luxembourg; and

10 WHEREAS, He earned B.M., B.S., and M.M. degrees from the  
11 Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music; he served at CCM as  
12 Adjunct Assistant Professor of Opera and Music Theatre; during  
13 this tenure, he conducted productions of Prince Igor, La  
14 Cenerentola, Gianni Schicchi, The Crucible, La Callisto  
15 (American Premiere), and The Secret Marriage; he has been  
16 presented with the Conservatory's Distinguished Alumni Award;  
17 at Indiana University, he conducted the world premiere and  
18 nationally televised production of John Eaton's children's  
19 opera, The Lion And Androcles; he is also a proud recipient of  
20 Cincinnati's most prestigious Post-Corbett Award for  
21 excellence in the arts; therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
23 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
24 we congratulate Maestro Carmon DeLeone on his 20th season as  
25 Music Director and Conductor of the Illinois Philharmonic  
26 Orchestra and wish him all the best in the future; and be it  
27 further

28 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
29 presented to Maestro Carmon DeLeone as an expression of our  
30 utmost admiration and esteem.