



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is the privilege of this Body to recognize  
3 milestone events for institutions of our great State; and

4 WHEREAS, The Shriners Hospital for Children in Chicago, a  
5 leading Midwest children's hospital providing high-quality  
6 pediatric orthopedic surgery, plastic, reconstructive, and  
7 maxillofacial surgery, and spinal cord injury care, is  
8 celebrating its 80th anniversary on Sunday, June 4, 2006; and

9 WHEREAS, Located on the northwest side of Chicago, the  
10 hospital is a short term, 60-bed facility that combines quality  
11 medical care with innovative education and research; its  
12 mission is to provide the highest quality care to children with  
13 neuromusculoskeletal conditions, burn injuries, and certain  
14 other special healthcare needs within a compassionate,  
15 family-centered, and collaborative care environment; and

16 WHEREAS, This mission is carried out without cost to the  
17 patient or family and without regard to race, color, creed, or  
18 sex; today the Shriners operate the only healthcare system that  
19 is funded totally through philanthropy; and

20 WHEREAS, The hospital primarily serves children from  
21 Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin, and Michigan;  
22 referrals are accepted from outside these areas due to the  
23 hospital's surgical specialties and rehabilitation expertise;  
24 and

25 WHEREAS, During the last three surveys, the Shriners  
26 Hospital for Children in Chicago received Accreditation with  
27 Commendation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of  
28 Healthcare Organizations, ranking it at the top nationwide; the  
29 hospital is also accredited by the Accreditation Council for  
30 Graduate Medical Education and is licensed by the Illinois

1 Department of Public Health and the City of Chicago; and

2 WHEREAS, Throughout its rich 80-year history, countless  
3 children have had medical and emotional needs met at Shriners  
4 Hospital for Children in Chicago; they have been given hope and  
5 a new life through the expertise of the medical teams assembled  
6 at the hospital; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
8 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
9 we offer our congratulations on the occasion of the 80th  
10 anniversary of the Shriners Hospital for Children in Chicago;  
11 and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to Shriners Hospital for Children in Chicago as an  
14 expression of our esteem.