



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, In 1955, fire services to Savoy and other rural
3 areas was terminated; and

4 WHEREAS, A few Savoy residents decided to petition for
5 Savoy to incorporate in order to create their own Fire
6 Department; and

7 WHEREAS, After a lot of time spent and hard work done by
8 John Jones and other men, a time was set for the first election
9 to decide if Savoy should incorporate; and

10 WHEREAS, On April 7, 1956, the first election to decide to
11 incorporate was held and won only by one vote; on May 2, 1956,
12 the count was contested and on May 28, 1956, the suit action
13 waited for a second count, but the numbers did not change; and

14 WHEREAS, On May 28, 1956, the Village was officially
15 incorporated; and

16 WHEREAS, On June 3, 1956, the first Board of Trustees of
17 the Village of Savoy was organized; John Jones was elected the
18 first President; the first Trustees were Kenneth Fisher, James
19 Trover, Vernon Brown, James Johnson, Henry Lawson, and Willard
20 Koss; James Corwin was the first Treasurer and Bernard Grussing
21 was the first Clerk; the Village had a yearly budget of \$600
22 covering the period of April 1956 to April 1957; and

23 WHEREAS, The Village has thrived throughout the past 50
24 years and is now the fourth largest community in Champaign
25 County; therefore, be it

26 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
27 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
28 we congratulate the Village of Savoy on the occasion of its

1 50th anniversary; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to the Village of Savoy as an expression of our
4 esteem.