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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the Heit family on  
4 their farm, the Heirdom Stock Farm in Douglas County, being  
5 named a Sesquicentennial Farm in 2007 by the Illinois  
6 Department of Agriculture; and

7           WHEREAS, Hans Heit, Sr., also known as John Hoyt, was born  
8 in Erfde, Schleswig-Holstein, Germany on August 28, 1828,  
9 immigrated to the United States, and purchased the farm known  
10 as Heirdom Stock Farm on October 6, 1857; it is located in  
11 Section 10, Garrett Township, Douglas County; Hans Heit, Sr.  
12 and his wife, Maria Thomsen Heit, owned the farm until his  
13 death on April 22, 1897; and

14           WHEREAS, Hans Heit, Jr., son of Hans Heit, Sr., was born on  
15 the farm on November 16, 1877; he and his wife, Dorathea Ritz  
16 Heit, owned the farm until his death on October 24, 1950; and

17           WHEREAS, Orval Christoph Heit, son of Hans Heit, Jr., was  
18 born on the farm on June 8, 1902; he and his wife, Leola Frahm  
19 Heit, owned the farm until his death on March 16, 1974; and

20           WHEREAS, Lyle Dean Heit, son of Orval Christoph Heit, was  
21 born on the farm on November 19, 1934; he and his wife,

1 Patricia Fisher Heit, currently own the farm; their daughter,  
2 Crystal Heit Willoughby and her husband, Norman E. Willoughby,  
3 and their sons, William Wade Willoughby and Michael Christoff  
4 Willoughby, also live on the farm; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
6 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
7 congratulate the Heit family and wish them continued success on  
8 the Sesquicentennial Heirdom Stock Farm; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
10 presented to the Heit family as a symbol of our respect and  
11 admiration.