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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the congregation
4 of Windsor Christian Church on the church's 150th anniversary;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Windsor Christian Church was established in 1857;
7 it is believed that J.D. Bruce, who founded the Town of Windsor
8 in 1856, founded the church in the fall of 1857, with early
9 services being performed in private homes, the town's train
10 depot, or possibly in the Windsor House, a hotel owned by Mr.
11 Bruce; on July 9, 1863, the land on which the church is
12 currently located was sold to church trustees Lee H. Keller,
13 Jonathan D. Bruce, J.W. York, Zimri Ferguson, and Jackson M.
14 Logan for \$300; according to an account in the Windsor Gazette,
15 the church was built in 1864 and 1865 at a cost of \$2,500; the
16 church's first elder was Anzil Gaddis and the first deacons
17 were J.D. Bruce and L.H. Keller; and

18 WHEREAS, In 1879, a minister known as Elder Hite was called
19 to minister at Windsor Christian Church; since Elder Hite's
20 time, 30 ministers have been called to minister within the
21 church; the current minister is Richard Eident, who has been
22 with the congregation for 30 years; and

1 WHEREAS, Windsor Christian Church's original building is
2 still in use by its congregation today; in June of 1923, over
3 \$12,000 of improvements were added to the church; in August of
4 1956, a new \$53,000 addition was added; in July of 1963, the
5 church's members voted to construct an educational building on
6 to the main church building; and

7 WHEREAS, Windsor Christian Church has had over 1,500
8 members throughout its 150 years and has a current membership
9 of 350; the church has also performed several revival meets,
10 which brought upwards of 50 new members into the church; and

11 WHEREAS, Today, Windsor Christian Church employs different
12 methods to communicate the same message to minister to the
13 needs of its congregation and the Town of Windsor; therefore,
14 be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
16 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
17 congratulate the congregation of Windsor Christian Church on
18 the church's 150th anniversary and wish them continued success
19 and happiness in the future; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to Windsor Christian Church minister Richard Eident
22 as a symbol of our esteem and respect.