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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the citizens of the
4 Village of Niles on the occasion of the Niles Public Library
5 District's 50th anniversary; and

6 WHEREAS, The history of the Niles Public Library began on
7 April 18, 1959, when a referendum was passed to establish the
8 Niles Public Library District; the new library was open 13
9 hours a week and had 3,600 books and 750 family cards; and

10 WHEREAS, Due to population growth and the need to provide
11 quality public library service, the Niles Public Library
12 completed an expansion project that resulted in adding
13 approximately 30,000 square feet to the existing building in
14 October of 1998; and

15 WHEREAS, The Niles Public Library District seeks to enrich
16 the community by meeting its informational, educational,
17 cultural and recreational needs by providing a wide variety of
18 materials, resources, and services, as well as a friendly,
19 experienced, and professional staff in a safe and welcoming
20 environment; and

21 WHEREAS, Today, the Niles Public Library District serves

1 over 58,000 residents in Niles and parts of unincorporated Des
2 Plains and Glenview; with a collection of more than 275,000
3 items, the library's annual circulation exceeds 1.2 million
4 loans; in addition, the library's membership in the North
5 Suburban Library System and ILLINET (the Illinois Network of
6 Libraries) provides patrons with additional access to millions
7 of items owned by other libraries; and

8 WHEREAS, The Niles Public Library District has served as a
9 beacon of knowledge to the residents of Niles and its
10 surrounding communities, a service that is invaluable to the
11 growth and prosperity of the citizens of this State; therefore,
12 be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
14 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
15 congratulate the citizens of the Village of Niles on the
16 occasion of the Niles Public Library District's 50th
17 anniversary; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to Dennis O'Donovan, President of the Niles Library
20 Board, as a symbol of our esteem and respect.