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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the staff of the 4 Catholic Children's Home in Alton on the occasion of the 5 organization's 130th anniversary in 2009; and
- WHEREAS, The Catholic Children's Home came from modest beginnings in 1879, when the Precious Blood sisters of Ruma established the Pio Nono Orphan Asylum in Piopolis; and
- 9 WHEREAS, In 1884, the Catholic Children's Home was moved to
 10 Alton, where it provided care for dependent, orphaned,
 11 neglected, and abandoned children for many years; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The Catholic Children's Home is the largest
 13 private facility of its kind in downstate Illinois; the
 14 facility has lovingly and devotedly served thousands of
 15 children throughout its 130 years of existence; and
 - WHEREAS, The Catholic Children's Home has a very active Special Education Department, which is designed to meet the needs of children who have fallen behind in their education as the result of emotional or behavioral problems; the home also features short and long-term residential services and numerous independent living programs; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The staff and faculty of the Catholic Children's
- 2 Home serve as models of hard work, integrity, and dedication
- 3 for the people of the State of Illinois; therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 5 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 6 congratulate the staff of the Catholic Children's Home on the
- 7 occasion of the organization's 130 years of dedicated service
- 8 to a vast number of needy children; and be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That we commend the staff of the Catholic
- 10 Children's Home for the warm and loving environment it has
- 11 provided for children to grow and thrive in and show our
- 12 respect for the many individuals who have committed themselves
- to supporting the home; and be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 15 presented to Catholic Children's Home as a symbol of our esteem
- and respect.