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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate the Lemont Knights of Columbus Council #1599 on their 100th anniversary; and

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WHEREAS, The Lemont Knights of Columbus Council #1599 will be celebrating its 100 year anniversary on December 10, 2011; the council has seen its members serve in both World Wars, Korea, Vietnam, and other armed conflicts; and

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WHEREAS, The council had over 300 members during the 1940s and 1950s when Lemont had a much smaller population; the council owned a council hall for many years on Canal Street; the council has and continues to provide service to the 4 Catholic churches in Lemont, besides assisting numerous local youth, adult, and special need groups; and

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WHEREAS, The Knights participate in the national "Tootsie Roll" Day each year; this fundraiser generates thousands of dollars each year, helping around the world and aiding mentally challenged people in Lemont as well; 100% of the funds are given to civic organizations that service special need people each year; and

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WHEREAS, The Knights, along with the VFW and American

1 Legion, helped create a scholarship program fund for boys to
2 attend Scout camps, organized and contributed to making sure
3 hearing impaired persons have an interpreter at Catholic mass
4 services, support youth sporting groups, and supply volunteers
5 for the Kops for Kids program; and

6 WHEREAS, The Knights of Columbus support Right to Life
7 programs, support relief efforts, contribute to the food
8 pantries, support local parishes, and other needs as they
9 arise; and

10 WHEREAS, The Lemont Knights of Columbus currently has over
11 60 members; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
14 we congratulate the Lemont Knights of Columbus on this
15 anniversary occasion and wish them continued success in the
16 future; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the Lemont Knights of Columbus Council #1599 as a
19 symbol of our respect and esteem.