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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 Zion Lutheran Church in Bensenville on the occasion of the  
5 church's 175th anniversary on September 30, 2012; and

6           WHEREAS, Zion Lutheran Church is the oldest Lutheran church  
7 in DuPage County and the 2nd oldest established church in the  
8 State of Illinois; the church still occupies its original  
9 location in Bensenville; and

10           WHEREAS, Since its establishment, Zion Lutheran Church has  
11 strived to minister to the people of DuPage County through both  
12 the church ministry and its educational institutions; during  
13 the last 175 years, members of Zion have moved throughout the  
14 surrounding communities to help establish 11 other Lutheran  
15 churches in DuPage County; Zion Lutheran Church has also spread  
16 its educational mission by being a founding church member in  
17 the establishment of Walther Lutheran High School in Melrose  
18 Park and Concordia University in River Forest; and

19           WHEREAS, The congregation of Zion Lutheran Church will  
20 celebrate its founding at a special service on September 30,  
21 2012, at 3:00 P.M.; the celebration will feature guest speaker  
22 Reverend Matthew Harrison, President of the Lutheran Church

1 Missouri Synod; and

2 WHEREAS, The congregation of Zion Lutheran Church serves as  
3 a model of hard work, integrity, and dedication for the people  
4 of the State of Illinois; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
6 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
7 we congratulate the congregation of Zion Lutheran Church on the  
8 occasion of the church's 175th anniversary, thank them for  
9 their dedicated service to the people of Zion, and wish them  
10 continued success and happiness in the future; and be it  
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to Zion Lutheran Church as a symbol of our esteem and  
14 respect.