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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the Centralia High 4 School Orphans on winning first-place in USA Today's Best 5 Mascot Contest; and WHEREAS, The Centralia Orphans won the final national round 6 7 with more than 25 million votes, or 59.8% of the total votes; 8 and 9 WHEREAS, The Orphans won handily with nearly double the 10 total votes earned by the second place school, the Carbon Dinos 11 of Price, Utah; and 12 WHEREAS, Centralia High School opened their computer labs 13 to students and the community to cast votes; and WHEREAS, Despite the challenges of heavy snowfall and USA 14 Today server issues, Centralia persevered; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Even during Spring Break, students went to school 17 to vote and ensure a win for Centralia; and

WHEREAS, For achieving first place, Centralia High School

has earned a \$2,000 prize and a banner for their athletic

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- 1 department; and
- 2 WHEREAS, CHS recognizes the efforts of the greater
- 3 Centralia community in helping them win the national title;
- 4 therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 6 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 7 we congratulate the Centralia High School Orphans on winning
- 8 the USA Today Best Mascot Contest; and be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 10 presented to Principal Reid Shipley and the Centralia High
- 11 School Orphans as a symbol of our respect and esteem.