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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the owners and 4 employees of the Route 66 Raceway as it celebrates its 15th 5 anniversary in 2013; and

6 WHEREAS, The Route 66 Raceway opened on May 28, 1998; and

7 WHEREAS, The Route 66 Raceway is located on the iconic road 8 that ran from Chicago to California and fostered a special 9 relationship between America and the automobile; and

10 WHEREAS, The Route 66 Raceway was the first true stadium of 11 drag racing; it was founded by 9 local entrepreneurs; the 12 National Hot Rod Association-affiliated, quarter-mile drag 13 strip is now fully owned and operated by the International 14 Speedway Corporation and is the sister track to Chicagoland 15 Speedway; and

16 WHEREAS, The Route 66 Raceway is a 250-acre facility that 17 also features a dirt oval which hosts the Traxxas TORC Series 18 (Baja-style racing), along with a demolition derby; the oval 19 annually plays host to the NASCAR Sprint Cup, the Nationwide 20 and the Camping World Truck Series, IndyCar, and ARCA events; 21 and -2- LRB098 11887 MST 45164 r

1 WHEREAS, The Route 66 Raceway will be the home to nearly 40 2 events in 2013, from demolition derbies to the O'Reilly Auto 3 Parts Route 66 NHRA Nationals, providing something for every 4 race fan; the raceway annually hosts weekend ET Bracker Series 5 racing, NHRA Jr. Drag Racing, NHRA Lucus Oil Series, and NHRA 6 Full Throttle Series professional drag racing events; 7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, ΒY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 9 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 10 we are pleased to congratulate the owners and employees of the 11 Route 66 Raceway as it celebrates the 15th anniversary of its founding and wish them many more years of continued success; 12 and be it further 13

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 15 presented to the Route 66 Raceway as an expression of our 16 esteem and respect.

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