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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, Ingersoll Scout Reservation near London Mills 3 celebrates the 50th Anniversary since its opening by the W. D.
- 4 Boyce Council of the Boy Scouts of America; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Ingersoll Scout Reservation, initially named 6 Wilderness Camp, was officially renamed in 1973 to posthumously 7 honor William Parlin Ingersoll, who donated the land; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Ingersoll Scout Reservation opened in mid-June of 9 1965 to Boy Scouts throughout Central Illinois; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Since Ingersoll Scout Reservation's opening, an
  11 estimated 10 million dollars has been invested in improvements
  12 to the facilities, with large portions of the improvements
  13 accomplished by outstanding volunteer services and donations
  14 from businesses, Boy Scout supporters and others within the
  15 communities of the W.D. Boyce Council; and
- WHEREAS, Since Ingersoll Scout Reservation's opening, an estimated 40,000 Boy Scouts have enjoyed this outstanding Central Illinois treasure, and it has been staffed by an estimated 1,500 Camp Counselors; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Ingersoll Scout Reservation has received National

1 Accreditation almost every year since its opening; and

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- WHEREAS, Ingersoll Scout Reservation's camp staff have 2 3 gone on to become executives within Boy Scout Councils and Boy 4 Scout Camp Rangers, members of the Airborne Rangers and other 5 units within the military, police departments, and fire departments, professors at colleges and universities, local 6 7 civic leaders, and members of clergy; the outstanding camp 8 counselors throughout the years have always treasured their 9 time as Ingersoll Scout Reservation Staff and have continued to 10 bring pride to the W.D. Boyce Council of the Boy Scouts of 11 America by excelling in their careers throughout all fields of 12 employment; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
  ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare July 18,
  15 2015 as "Ingersoll Scout Reservation Day" in the State of
  Illinois; and be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 18 presented to the Ingersoll Scout Reservation as a symbol of our 19 admiration and respect.