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**Illinois lawmakers show support of International Credit Union Day  
on House, Senate floors**

Naperville, IL., October 16, 2009 – Illinois State Senator Koehler (D-46, Peoria) and Illinois State Representative Joe Lyons (D-19, Chicago), read statements of support into the record this morning on the Senate and House floors, respectively.

“Congratulations to all Illinois credit unions on your day,” said Lyons after introducing HR 693 on the House floor during a point of privilege.

Similarly, Koehler recognized credit unions from the floor of the Senate on their service to Illinois residents.

In addition to their acknowledgment of credit unions in the Illinois General Assembly today, both of these lawmakers also serve on boards of credit unions. Senator Koehler is a member of the CEFCU board of directors in Peoria, and Representative Lyons serves on the board of Credit Union 1, based in Rantoul.

“We sincerely appreciate the efforts of Senator Koehler and Representative Lyons to honor credit unions during International Credit Union Week,” said Dan Plauda, Illinois Credit Union League president/chief executive officer. “Their support is felt not only during this special time of year for credit unions, but also on a regular basis in the Illinois General Assembly and on the credit union boards in which they serve.”

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**Note:** The Illinois Credit Union League (ICUL) is the primary trade association for credit unions in Illinois, which provides members with information, legislation and education. Membership is open to any credit union operating in accordance with the Illinois Credit Union Act or the Federal Credit Union Act. There are 411 credit unions in Illinois with more than 2.7 million members.