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GEORGE H. RYAN
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Greetings:

As Governor of the State of Illinois, it is my pleasure to welcome everyone gathered for the Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting Ceremony of the Children's Museum of Immigration located in the Swedish American Museum Center.

Illinois is proud of its cultural diversity. Your dedicated effort to preserve Swedish heritage in America and to promote the study of the history and culture of Sweden is commendable. The Swedish American Museum Center is a vital part of the community and you should be proud of your contributions and achievements.

This Children's Museum of Immigration offers the citizens of Illinois the opportunity to learn more about the history, heritage and culture of Sweden.

I commend Kersten Lane, Director of Swedish American Museum Center for her dedication and commitment to the Swedish American community of Illinois.

On behalf of the citizens of Illinois, please accept my best wishes on this special occasion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "George H. Ryan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "G" and "R".

GEORGE H. RYAN
Governor

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