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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, In 2011, the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois filed a lawsuit against the City of Chicago on behalf of the Central Austin Neighborhood Association (CANA) alleging that police are deployed inequitably across the city's neighborhoods and communities; and

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WHEREAS, The Central Austin Neighborhood Association contended that Chicago police officers are not dispatched to 911 calls in a timely manner in primarily African American and Hispanic neighborhoods and communities; and

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WHEREAS, The Office of Inspector General of the City of Chicago is empowered by Section 2-56-030 of the Chicago Municipal Code to investigate the performance of governmental officers, employees, functions, and programs, either in response to a complaint or on the Inspector General's own initiative, in order to detect and prevent misconduct, inefficiency, and waste within the programs and operations of the city government; and

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WHEREAS, Because of the lawsuit filed by the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois and the complaints of the Central Austin Neighborhood Association, it is of urgent necessity that a performance audit of the Chicago Police Department be

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1 conducted by the Inspector General of the City of Chicago to  
2 determine and assess police emergency response times in Chicago  
3 neighborhoods and communities and to make recommendations to  
4 improve response times in primarily African American and  
5 Hispanic neighborhoods and communities; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
7 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
8 urge the Inspector General of the City of Chicago to conduct a  
9 performance audit of the Chicago Police Department to determine  
10 and assess police emergency response times in Chicago  
11 neighborhoods and communities and to make recommendations to  
12 improve response times in primarily African American and  
13 Hispanic neighborhoods and communities; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this Resolution be  
15 forwarded to the Mayor and Inspector General of the City of  
16 Chicago.