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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, On May 22, 2013, the Chicago Board of Education  
3 voted to close 50 of the system's underutilized public schools;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Many of those properties can continue to be assets  
6 for the city and their communities; and

7 WHEREAS, City residents and city leadership have a mutual  
8 interest in strengthening economic activity and increasing  
9 economic opportunity for an ever-increasing population; and

10 WHEREAS, The Chicago Public Schools Advisory Committee for  
11 School Repurposing and Community Development has created a set  
12 of guiding principles and a proposed process for repurposing  
13 schools into constructive purposes quickly and in a way that is  
14 both timely and financially viable; and

15 WHEREAS, If these properties cannot be repurposed through  
16 the Chicago Public School system, they should be opened to  
17 public bidding; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
19 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
20 urge the City of Chicago to begin repurposing the closed public

1 schools within its system into new-purpose facilities as soon  
2 as possible; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
4 delivered to Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel.