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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives recognize that township government is the 4 oldest existing unit of government in the United States; it was 5 first established in Providence, Rhode Island in 1636 and in Illinois in 1850 with the creation of Ela Township; and 6 7 WHEREAS, Eighty-Five of the 102 counties in Illinois 8 operate under the township form of government; townships serve 9 more than eight million citizens; and 10 WHEREAS, Ela Township serves over 40,000 residents in Lake 11 County; and 12 WHEREAS, Ela Township has provided vital programs and 13 services to its residents; and 14 WHEREAS, Ela Township provides services for seniors, 15 youth, and disabled individuals, general assistance, cemetery 16 maintenance, park maintenance, bussing, property assessments, 17 road maintenance, and counseling; and 18 WHEREAS, Ela Township has been recognized on several 19 occasions, most recently by receiving the Association of 20 Illinois Senior Centers highest honor, the "Mind, Body and

- 1 Spirit" award, for its "55 Plus" program; therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 3 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 4 thank Ela Township for its service to its residents and we
- 5 recognize September 21, 2018 as Township Day in Ela Township;
- 6 and be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 8 presented to the residents of Ela Township as an expression of
- 9 our esteem and respect.