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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to recognize the 50th anniversary of the 4 founding of the Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law; 5 and

6 WHEREAS, Sargent Shriver inspired those around him to
7 believe that everyone deserves the right to equal access to
8 justice and opportunity; today, the Shriver Center is one of
9 the nation's leading advocates for the poor, giving a voice to
10 people living in poverty; and

WHEREAS, The Shriver Center works to ensure that laws and policies provide low-income people with access to adequate health care, decent housing, a safety net, and opportunities to achieve their full potential; and

WHEREAS, The Shriver Center advocates across a range of issues important to people living in poverty, including asset building, budget and tax issues, criminal justice, early childhood, education, healthcare, housing, and issues affecting women and girls; it provides free legal representation and represents clients in state and federal court and before administrative agencies, both in class actions and in individual cases; and

1 WHEREAS, The Shriver Center is a national network of

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- 2 lawyers, community organizers, activists, researchers,
- 3 litigators, and philanthropists from every state; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Sargent Shriver famously and frequently posed two
- 5 questions: "What have you done today to make this a better
- 6 world? What will you do tomorrow?"; therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 8 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 9 recognize the 50th anniversary the Sargent Shriver National
- 10 Center on Poverty Law, and we wish them many more years of
- 11 success; and be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to the Shriver Center as a symbol of our respect and
- 14 esteem.