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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Margaret 4 affectionately known as "Gran," on the occasion of her 100th 5 birthday on October 5, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Ross became active with the 8th Ward Regular Democratic Organization in Chicago under the leadership of Committeeman John Stronger during the late 1960s; soon after joining the organization, she became the Precinct Captain of the 56th precinct; she served as Precinct Captain for 15 years; she also served as the President of the 8th Ward Women's Auxiliary for two years; and

WHEREAS, In 1965, Margaret Ross was a founding member of the 79th Street Kimbark Block Club; for 20 years, she actively worked with the families on her block to "improve the quality of life" on their block and in the community; she was receptive to the concerns and suggestions of the residents and worked diligently to make improvements a reality and remedy concerns; and

WHEREAS, In 1972, Margaret Ross changed the focus of her career and began working as a Probation Officer in the Cook County Adult Probation Department, where she counseled

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- 1 troubled adults; after 21 years of service, she retired in
- 2 1993; in 1995, she began working as an aide to Alderman
- Michelle Harris at the 8th Ward Democratic Office in Chicago; 3
- she concluded her part-time employment with the 8th Ward 4
- 5 Democratic Office in January 2012; for nearly 30 years, she
- also worked as a Judge of Election for the Chicago Board of 6
- Election Commissioners at her neighborhood polling place; and 7
- 8 WHEREAS, Margaret Ross has always valued being an active
- 9 member of her community and remains an ardent supporter of the
- 10 8th Ward Family; therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 12
- 13 congratulate Margaret Ross on the occasion of her 100th
- 14 birthday and her contributions to the City of Chicago and the
- 15 State of Illinois; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 16
- 17 presented to Margaret Ross as a symbol of our esteem and
- 18 respect.