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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Chief Mitchell R. Davis
4 III upon his installation as the first Black president of the
5 Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police; and

6 WHEREAS, Chief Davis earned his Bachelor of Arts from
7 Governors State University and his Master of Science in
8 Criminal Justice from the University of Cincinnati; he
9 graduated from Northwestern University's School of Police
10 Staff and Command, class #182; he is completing a Ph.D. in
11 Organizational Leadership at Concordia University of Chicago;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Chief Davis began his law enforcement career with
14 the Park Forest Police Department in 1991; while there, he
15 served in many capacities, including as investigator, evidence
16 technician, juvenile officer, SWAT officer, DARE instructor,
17 and EDGE instructor; he took his first chief of police
18 position with the Dixmoor Police Department in 2001; he later
19 served as the chief of police for the Robbins Police
20 Department; he became the chief of police in Hazel Crest in
21 2016, where he currently serves; and

22 WHEREAS, Chief Davis was appointed by Governor JB Pritzker

1 to serve on the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and
2 Standards Board, and he was subsequently elected as the
3 board's chair; and

4 WHEREAS, Chief Davis became the 73rd president of the
5 Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police on April 30, 2021; as
6 president, he leads an organization with nearly 1,300 members
7 that is a front runner in providing professional development
8 and leadership training for the outstanding chiefs of police
9 in the State of Illinois; he is the first Black president in
10 the 80-year history of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of
11 Police; and

12 WHEREAS, Chief Davis belongs to a number of organizations;
13 he is active in the National Organization of Black Law
14 Enforcement Executives (NOBLE), where he served as National
15 Recording Secretary from 2017 to 2020; he recently completed a
16 successful term as president of the South Suburban Association
17 of Chiefs of Police; he serves on the Southland Juvenile
18 Justice Council, the NBC 5 Community Action Board, and on both
19 the Illinois Executive Board and the National Leadership
20 Council of Fight Crime: Invest in Kids; he is also a proud
21 member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.; and

22 WHEREAS, Chief Davis is committed to his faith; he is a
23 strong supporter of Special Olympics Illinois and the Law

1 Enforcement Torch Run; he is an avid boater and loves to
2 travel; and

3 WHEREAS, Chief Davis is married, and he has four adult
4 children and four grandchildren; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
6 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
7 we congratulate Chief Mitchell R. Davis III on his
8 installation as president of the Illinois Association of
9 Chiefs of Police, thank him for three decades of service to the
10 noble profession of law enforcement at the State and national
11 levels, and wish him great success in building partnerships
12 that benefit all communities in Illinois; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
14 presented to Chief Davis and to the Illinois Association of
15 Chiefs of Police as an expression of our esteem and respect.