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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Elgin O'Hare Western Access (EOWA) Project is 3 regionally and nationally significant; and

WHEREAS, The Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project will
improve access to a major job center, surrounding communities,
and the O'Hare Airport; and

7 WHEREAS, The Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project includes 8 17 miles of new roads with 15 new or improved interchanges as 9 part of a new, all-electronic toll road that includes 10 rehabilitating and widening Illinois Route 390, formerly known as the Elgin O'Hare Expressway, and extending it east along 11 12 Thorndale Avenue to O'Hare International Airport and building 13 a new roadway around the western border of O'Hare, linking the 14 Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) and the Tri-State Tollway (I-294); and 15

16 WHEREAS, As part of the Move Illinois Program, the 17 Illinois Tollway has committed \$3.1 billion toward the \$3.4 18 billion needed to begin building the Elgin O'Hare Western 19 Access Project in 2013; and

20 WHEREAS, Construction projects of 2021 on I-490 western 21 access to O'Hare International Airport are firmly underway; HR0605 -2- LRB102 22298 LAW 31432 r and

2 WHEREAS, There are several years to go until the new 3 corridor is complete; and

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4 WHEREAS, Interchange improvements are causing road 5 closures and traffic delays; and

6 WHEREAS, The Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project has 7 experienced past delays due to funding issues; therefore, be 8 it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 10 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 11 we urge the Illinois Toll Highway Authority and the Illinois 12 Department of Transportation to provide a written report 13 regarding the Elgin O'Hare Western Access (EOWA) Project to 14 the General Assembly; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the Illinois Toll Highway Authority and the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation.