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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the Foundation for Asian
4 American Independent Media (FAAIM) and the Asian American
5 Showcase on celebrating emerging Asian American artists and
6 helping them reach a wider audience for over 25 years; and

7 WHEREAS, FAAIM was founded in 1995 to bring the rich and
8 diverse voices within the filmmaking and visual arts to a
9 wider audience; and

10 WHEREAS, FAAIM holds a variety of community-based events;
11 most notably, the foundation hosts the annual Asian American
12 Showcase, a film festival in Chicago to support artists and
13 create a grassroots audience for their work; and

14 WHEREAS, FAAIM understands the lack of visibility in art
15 and media when it comes to Asian American representation, and
16 often when Asian Americans do receive representation in art
17 and media, they are portrayed with outdated, harmful
18 stereotypes; the foundation aims to counter these beliefs; and

19 WHEREAS, FAAIM also understands that Asian Americans
20 struggle to access the necessary resources and equipment to
21 produce their work or art and also face difficulties in

1 distributing their work; and

2 WHEREAS, FAAIM was founded and continues to be sustained
3 by a group of deeply committed and dedicated individuals,
4 including Festival Director Tim Hugh, Film Programming
5 Directors Jonathan Laxamana and Jon Monteverde, and
6 Programming and Marketing Director Huu T. Ly, without whose
7 passion we would not have been able to enjoy more than 25 years
8 of valuable programming in the form of the Asian American
9 Showcase; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
11 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
12 we congratulate the Foundation for Asian American Independent
13 Media (FAAIM) and the Asian American Showcase on promoting the
14 work of Asian American artists for over 25 years; and be it
15 further

16 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
17 presented to the Foundation for Asian American Independent
18 Media (FAAIM) and the Asian American Showcase.