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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to recognize the Junior League of  
4 Chicago, Inc. on its history of promoting civic welfare and  
5 advancing women leaders for the past 112 years; and

6           WHEREAS, Founded by Lucy McCormick Blair Linn in 1912, the  
7 Junior League of Chicago was initially established to elevate  
8 young women to the forefront of the industrial and social  
9 issues confronting Chicago, with members collectively working  
10 together to address those issues through positive and  
11 impactful change; and

12           WHEREAS, Today, the Junior League of Chicago is a  
13 metropolitan nonprofit organization of women committed to  
14 promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of its  
15 members, and improving the community through effective action  
16 and leadership of trained volunteers; the organization reaches  
17 out to women of all races, religions, and national origins who  
18 demonstrate an interest in and a commitment to voluntarism;  
19 and

20           WHEREAS, The Junior League of Chicago has remained  
21 dedicated to its mission, leading to the development and  
22 execution of significant projects in response to the evolving

1 needs of the community; the organization has spearheaded a  
2 number of historic projects through the years, including the  
3 opening of the Chicago Children's Museum, the creation of the  
4 first Victim Witness Assistance program, the founding of the  
5 Junior Museum and Volunteer Guide Program at the Art Institute  
6 of Chicago, the funding of the first consultation clinic for  
7 epilepsy, and the opening of the first pediatric psychiatry  
8 center in the country, among others; and

9 WHEREAS, The Junior League of Chicago has continued  
10 efforts to empower at-risk families through advocating for  
11 essential needs, literacy, and violence prevention and  
12 awareness; for over a century, the organization has partnered  
13 with various community organizations, non-profits, and schools  
14 to achieve its mission and has supported several entities  
15 through volunteerism and fundraising efforts, including the  
16 Chicago Public Library, Cradles to Crayons, Green City Market,  
17 Lincoln Park Community Services, Sarah's Circle, and Ronald  
18 McDonald House Charities; and

19 WHEREAS, Through its numerous partnerships, the Junior  
20 League of Chicago annually donates over 125,000 volunteer  
21 hours to agencies and programs supporting child welfare and  
22 education, and it also raises thousands of dollars each year  
23 to bolster the efforts of its collaborating community  
24 organizations; and

1           WHEREAS, The Junior League of Chicago bestows on its  
2 members the opportunity to become exceptionally qualified  
3 civic leaders through camaraderie, mentorship, training, and  
4 its programs and activities; therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
6 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
7 we recognize the Junior League of Chicago, Inc. on its history  
8 of promoting civic welfare and advancing women leaders, and we  
9 wish the organization continued success in its endeavors; and  
10 be it further

11           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
12 presented to the Junior League of Chicago as an expression of  
13 our esteem and respect.