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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Record-breaking rainfall from September 12, 2008
3 to September 14, 2008 caused widespread property damage to
4 homeowners and owners of commercial and industrial property
5 throughout Illinois, including the greater Chicago area; and

6 WHEREAS, Current federal law requires the State's
7 designated coordinator of emergency support services, the
8 Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA), to complete a
9 preliminary damage assessment before an application can be made
10 to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to have
11 affected Illinois counties declared federal disaster areas;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, The declaration by FEMA that an affected area is a
14 federal disaster area is a necessary triggering event that must
15 take place if the individuals and businesses that have suffered
16 flooding damage are to be eligible for federal disaster
17 assistance; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
19 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
20 the Illinois Emergency Management Agency complete and submit
21 its preliminary damage assessment for the flooding events of
22 September 2008 to the Federal Emergency Management Agency as

1 soon as possible; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
3 delivered to the Governor of Illinois and to the Director of
4 the Illinois Emergency Management Agency.