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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Dr. William McCoy  
4 on the occasion of his 25 years of dedicated service as Chief  
5 Apostle at Brothers Keeper Community Outreach Church; and

6           WHEREAS, Dr. William McCoy began his pastoral career in  
7 1986, when he was assigned to serve at God's House of  
8 Deliverance Holiness Church; in 1989, he earned his Certificate  
9 of Ordination from the Pentecostal Apostolic Assemblies of  
10 Jesus Christ; in 1991, he graduated from the United Theological  
11 Seminary, where he was named Valedictorian; in 1993, he  
12 received an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity from the Apostolic  
13 Baptist Seminary in Evansville, Indiana; in 1994, he was  
14 consecrated as the Presiding Prelate Bishop of IPAE and AIMBK  
15 by Bishop Lester P. Bell and earned his Prison Fellowship  
16 Training Diploma; in 1995, he earned his Doctorate of  
17 Philosophy in Pastoral Theology from the International College  
18 of Bible Theology; and

19           WHEREAS, Dr. William McCoy has served as an Auxiliary  
20 Chaplain of the Cook County Sheriff Department since 1994; he  
21 has served as a Life Skills Facilitator with the Vital Issues  
22 Project; he has served as a board member of the Cook County  
23 Jails Alternative Schools L.S.C. since 1997; he has been a

1 Certified Red Cross Instructor in HIV/AIDS Prevention &  
2 Education since 1997; he served as the Superintendent Parole  
3 Chaplain of Cook and Lake Counties for the Illinois Department  
4 of Corrections from 1997 to 2001; he served as Chief Police  
5 Chaplain and Administrator for the City of Harvey from 1998 to  
6 1999; in 1998, he served as a Domestic Violence Facilitator for  
7 Western Judicial Services in Norris City; in 2000, he became a  
8 member of Mentors & Adult Probation Systems, the James Williams  
9 Ministry's Project Now, and the Southside Health Consortium; in  
10 2001, he became Head Chaplain of FAITH, Inc. and joined the  
11 Cook County Circuit Court Mentoring Advisory Board of the  
12 Illinois Department of Corrections Chaplaincy Council; in  
13 2002, he was elected to serve as President of the Illinois  
14 Community Chaplaincy Council; in 2009, he became a member of  
15 the Coalition for United Community Action Advisory Board; that  
16 same year, he became President of the South Suburban Action  
17 Conference and became a member of the IPAE-NETWORK Cook County  
18 Sheriff's Department Re-Entry Initiative and the Advisory  
19 Board of Cook County Clergy United, Inc.; he is also currently  
20 working with various NSP programs in Cook County; and

21 WHEREAS, Dr. William McCoy has earned numerous awards and  
22 recognitions for his work in his community, including the Good  
23 Samaritan Award for Outstanding Contributions for the  
24 Betterment of Humanity from the Illinois Adventist Prison  
25 Ministry Organization, an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters

1 from the International College of Bible Theology, Certificates  
2 of Completion from the Central States Institute of Addiction,  
3 the Illinois Department of Corrections Training Academy, and  
4 the Illinois Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse Professional  
5 Certification Association, the Dr. Arthur M. Brazier  
6 Distinguished Service Award from the Apostolic Church of God,  
7 the Chaplain of the Year award from the Illinois Department of  
8 Corrections, a Certificate of Appreciation from Salvation  
9 Ministries, the Outstanding Community Service award from the  
10 Association of Black Social Workers, a Certificate of  
11 Appreciation from ANGEL TREE/A Ministry of Prison Fellowship;  
12 he has also been recognized in the National Directory of Who's  
13 Who in Executive Professionals; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. William McCoy will be honored for his years of  
15 service during the Chief Apostle Dr. William McCoy and  
16 Co-Pastor Dr. Rose McCoy 25th Pastoralship Appreciation  
17 Service on October 15, 2010 and a Black Tie Banquet on October  
18 16, 2010; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
20 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
21 congratulate Dr. William McCoy for his many years of dedicated  
22 service and wish him continued success and happiness in the  
23 future; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to Dr. William McCoy as a symbol of our esteem and  
3 respect.