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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate the congregation of St. Malachy Church and School on the occasion of the church's celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation; and

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WHEREAS, The Emancipation Proclamation was issued by President Abraham Lincoln on January 1, 1863; the Proclamation declared that those enslaved in Confederate territory were to be immediately freed; and

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WHEREAS, St. Malachy Church and School is the oldest serving Black Catholic School on Chicago's West Side; the church, which was established in 1882, was home to the first black priest who served in Chicago, Roland Lambert, who was a pioneer in the teaching of black history; St. Malachy was also once home to Mother Teresa and her order, who lived at the church and worked in the community; and

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WHEREAS, St. Malachy Church is an active participant in the Chicago community; the church administers programs for the homeless and the poor in the community and runs an afterschool program for the school and surrounding CPS Schools; the church also continues to educate and inform the community of the

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1 church's history; and

2 WHEREAS, St. Malachy Church was honored by former Cardinal  
3 John Bernardin of the Chicago Archdiocese for its work in the  
4 community with the poor; and

5 WHEREAS, The congregation of St. Malachy Church and School  
6 will celebrate this momentous occasion on June 29, 2013 at St.  
7 Malachy Church; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
9 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
10 we congratulate the congregation of St. Malachy Church and  
11 School on the occasion of the church's celebration of the 150th  
12 Anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to St. Malachy Church and School as a symbol of our  
15 esteem and respect.