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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, November 22, 2013 will mark the 50th anniversary of the assassination of John F. Kennedy, the 35th President of the United States of America; and

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WHEREAS, President John F. Kennedy was fatally shot by a sniper at 12:30pm standard time on November 22, 1963 while traveling in a presidential limousine through Dealey Plaza in Dallas, Texas; and

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WHEREAS, President John F. Kennedy was accompanied in the motorcade by his wife, First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy, along with Texas Governor John Connally, who was wounded by gunfire; and

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WHEREAS, Lee Harvey Oswald was arrested in connection with the assassination and was killed 2 days later by Jack Ruby; and

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WHEREAS, Elected on January 20, 1961, John F. Kennedy was the only Catholic and the 2nd-youngest President to serve in the White House; and

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WHEREAS, Despite his short-lived presidency, John F. Kennedy left behind a remarkable legacy of leadership; and

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1 WHEREAS, President John F. Kennedy will be remembered for
2 many accomplishments, including steering our nation away from
3 the brink of war during the Cuban Missile Crisis, propelling
4 America into the space race, founding the Peace Corps, and
5 championing civil rights for all Americans; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
7 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
8 we urge all churches to toll bells and all schools to designate
9 a moment of silence at the exact hour and minute of November
10 22, 2013 to mark the occasion of this solemn anniversary; and
11 be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be made
13 available to those who request it.