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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the administration and
4 staff of the Jewish Council on Urban Affairs on the occasion of
5 the organization's 50th anniversary; and

6 WHEREAS, Since its inception in 1964, the enduring mission
7 of the Jewish Council on Urban Affairs has been to combat
8 poverty, racism, and anti-Semitism in partnership with
9 Chicago's diverse communities; its work, in reaching across
10 faiths, races, and classes to create dialogue and tangible
11 results, has been an inspiring presence in the Chicagoland
12 area; and

13 WHEREAS, During its 50 years of existence, the Jewish
14 Council on Urban Affairs has facilitated the development and
15 preservation of thousands of units of affordable housing,
16 advocated for public policies that address the root causes of
17 poverty, and educated and mobilized a Jewish constituency to
18 create a more just city; its work with low-income communities
19 and communities of color has fostered deep understanding and
20 trust with partner organizations; and

21 WHEREAS, While the exact issues and challenges in Chicago
22 have changed, poverty, racism, and anti-Semitism continue to

1 run rampant; through its work, the Jewish Council on Urban
2 Affairs continues to organize the Jewish community to be a
3 powerful partner for justice and guarantees the future of this
4 important work with its teen social justice program, Or Tzedek;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Guided by prophetic Jewish principles, the Jewish
7 Council on Urban Affairs has been committed to eradicating the
8 root causes of social and economic injustice and to creating
9 positive systemic change for Chicago's most vulnerable
10 neighborhoods and communities; and

11 WHEREAS, The Jewish Council on Urban Affairs remains as
12 relevant today as it was 50 years ago, serving as an essential
13 Jewish voice for social justice; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
15 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
16 we congratulate the administration and staff of the Jewish
17 Council on Urban Affairs on the occasion of the organization's
18 50th anniversary and wish them continued success in the future;
19 and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the Jewish Council on Urban Affairs as a symbol of
22 our esteem and respect.