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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to recognize the Illinois Association of
4 REALTORS for its commitment to proudly representing the real
5 estate industry in the State of Illinois for 100 years; and

6 WHEREAS, The mission of the Illinois Association of
7 REALTORS is to be the premier real estate advocate for the
8 public, its members, and the communities they serve; and

9 WHEREAS, In its 100-year history, the Illinois Association
10 of REALTORS has become known as the "Voice for Real Estate" and
11 it takes pride in advocating for the protection of private
12 property rights and in helping families realize the American
13 Dream of homeownership; and

14 WHEREAS, The Illinois Association of REALTORS achieves its
15 mission by educating its members and by advocating on issues at
16 the State and local level of government; and

17 WHEREAS, On April 25, 1916, the Articles of Incorporation
18 were signed creating the Real Estate Association of Illinois;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Since its incorporation, the Illinois Association

1 of REALTORS, has been watchful over the issues of property
2 taxes, tax reform, and fees that impact the transfer of real
3 estate; and

4 WHEREAS, The Illinois Association of REALTORS achieved its
5 primary goal of securing the first Illinois real estate license
6 law in 1922; amended many times over the following years, it
7 established standards for the real estate profession; and

8 WHEREAS, The Illinois Association of REALTORS partners
9 with the Regional Economic Applications Laboratory (REAL) at
10 the Univesity of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign to provide
11 essential housing reports and market forecasts to Illinois
12 media; it also researches the positive economic impact of home
13 sales across many sectors of the Illinois economy; and

14 WHEREAS, The Illinois Association of REALTORS engages
15 directly with consumers on local advocacy issues through the
16 Real Property Alliance; and

17 WHEREAS, The Illinois Association of REALTORS Relief
18 Foundation has provided needed assistance to hard hit
19 communities, donating more than \$575,000 toward disaster
20 relief since 1997; teams of Illinois realtors, alongside
21 Habitat for Humanity, have assisted in rebuilding efforts
22 throughout the United States; and

1 WHEREAS, The Illinois Association of REALTORS opened a
2 newly constructed headquarters building in the downtown
3 Springfield historic district in 2007 and has been a supporter
4 of the Springfield community as a sponsor of the Kidzeum's
5 Green Home Construction Exhibit and a founding supporter of the
6 Governor's Mansion Restoration Project; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
9 recognize the Illinois Association of REALTORS, its members,
10 and its staff during its 100th anniversary celebration in
11 recognition of their advocacy on issues important to all
12 matters related to real estate and private property rights; and
13 be it further

14 RESOLVED, That we designate April 25, 2016 as "Illinois
15 REALTORS Day" in the State of Illinois; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
17 presented to the Illinois Association of REALTORS and all local
18 realtors associations throughout the State of Illinois.