

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is the policy of the State of Illinois to  
3 promote peace and friendship with African nations; and

4 WHEREAS, The General Assembly wishes to promote service  
5 in African nations by men and women of this State qualified  
6 for service abroad and willing to serve under conditions of  
7 hardship if necessary; and

8 WHEREAS, The General Assembly wishes to help the peoples  
9 of African nations in meeting their needs for trained  
10 manpower, particularly in meeting the basic needs of those  
11 living in the poorest areas of those countries; and

12 WHEREAS, Women in developing countries play a significant  
13 role in economic production, family support, and the overall  
14 development process; and

15 WHEREAS, Ninety-five percent of the disabled people in  
16 the world are among the poorest of the poor; and

17 WHEREAS, Urban inner city schools have a demonstrated  
18 need for qualified personnel and role models for  
19 African-American youth; and

20 WHEREAS, The General Assembly wishes to promote a better  
21 understanding of the citizens of this State on the part of  
22 the peoples of African nations and a better understanding of  
23 other peoples on the part of the citizens of this State;  
24 therefore, be it

25 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
26 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
27 there is created the Illinois Africa-America Peace Brigade  
28 Advisory Committee consisting of 2 members of the general  
29 public appointed by the Governor, 2 members of the House  
30 appointed by the Speaker of the House, and 2 members of the

1 House appointed by the Minority Leader of the House, all of  
2 whom shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed  
3 for their reasonable and necessary expenses from funds  
4 appropriated for that purpose; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Committee shall evaluate the  
6 possibilities for establishing an Illinois Africa-America  
7 Peace Brigade to promote volunteerism in African nations and  
8 in urban inner city schools in this State and the types of  
9 programs and activities that could be carried out by Illinois  
10 Africa-America Peace Brigade volunteers, giving particular  
11 attention to programs and activities aimed at integrating  
12 women and disabled persons into the economies of African  
13 nations; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the Committee shall make recommendations  
15 to the Governor and the General Assembly regarding the  
16 establishment, purposes, and programs of an Illinois  
17 Africa-America Peace Brigade.