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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate the Total Living Network (TLN) on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of its founding; and

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WHEREAS, In 1971, Reverend Owen Carr of Stone Church was inspired to lead the creation of an on-the-air Christian television station to serve the Chicagoland community; and

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WHEREAS, Five years of development work were required; Reverend Carr's inspiration would become the first Christian television station in Chicago, and the fifth Christian television station in the United States; and

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WHEREAS, Reverend Carr's entry into broadcast ministry was made possible when experienced television producer Jerry Rose joined what was to become the WCFC-TV team; he would become TLN's President and would be assisted by many other Christian providers too numerous to mention here; and

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WHEREAS, TLN launched from the John Hancock Center as WCFC TV-38 on May 31, 1976 with Mayor Richard J. Daley presiding as guest speaker at the McCormick Place dedication; with the acquisition of KTLN-TV of San Francisco, California, followed

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1 by the transition of many viewers to cable television and other
2 platforms, the WCFC-TV team became the Total Living Network in
3 1998; over its 40 years of operation, TLN has produced original
4 programming serving the Chicagoland faith community, and has
5 received numerous Midwest Emmy and National Religious
6 Broadcasters awards; and

7 WHEREAS, In Illinois, TLN is now an exclusive XFINITY Cable
8 channel, covering Chicago and most of Illinois and Northwest
9 Indiana; recently, TLN expanded to multiple digital platforms
10 including ROKU, Amazon FireTV, AndroidTV, and its 24/7 live
11 stream at TLN.com; and

12 WHEREAS, TLN is celebrating with a banquet at Lindner
13 Conference Center at Northern Seminary in Lombard on March 10,
14 2017; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
16 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
17 congratulate the TLN team for the family and ministry outreach
18 they have built over the course of over 40 years of
19 broadcasting excellence from the Chicago area; and be it
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That we recognize the TLN team for creating "A
22 City Without Doors"; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to
2 Jerry Rose, President of the Total Living Network (TLN).