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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives wish to memorialize the death of our friend and 4 former colleague, Redd F. Griffin of Oak Park, who passed away on November 20, 2012; and 5 6 WHEREAS, Redd Griffin was born and raised in Oak Park; he 7 earned a Bachelor of Arts from Shimer College; and 8 WHEREAS, Redd Griffin was a former reporter for the City 9 News Bureau of Chicago and served on the production staff of 10 WTTW 11; throughout his life, he helped to promote the understanding and appreciation of cultural history and 11 12 communications through courses, lectures, readers theater, 13 audiovisual and print media, exhibits, and the Internet; and 14 WHEREAS, Redd Griffin served as a professor at Triton 15 College and Hines VA Hospital; and 16

WHEREAS, Redd Griffin was a founding member of the Ernest Hemingway Foundation of Oak Park; he served as the Foundation's ambassador to the Chicago area, speaking at libraries, fellowship groups, and meetings across the suburbs; and

20 WHEREAS, Redd Griffin served the people as the State

1 Representative of the 21st District during the 82nd General

- 2 Assembly; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Redd Griffin was a member of the boards and
- 4 advisory boards with various organizations, including WTTW 11,
- 5 the Ernest Hemingway Foundation of Oak Park, the International
- 6 Press Club of Chicago, and the Illinois State Historical
- 7 Society; he also served on the board of his alma mater, Shimer
- 8 College; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Redd Griffin was the beloved husband of Mary Jo;
- 10 the loving father of Daniel (Sarah) and Timothy Griffin; the
- 11 cherished grandfather of James and Reid Griffin; and the dear
- 12 brother of Michael C. Griffin and Marnie (Joseph) Fretty;
- 13 therefore, be it
- 14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 15 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 16 remember, along with his family and friends, the passing of
- 17 Redd F. Griffin; and be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 19 presented to Michael C. Griffin, the brother of Redd Griffin,
- as an expression of our sympathy.