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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Racial profiling of, and racial discrimination against, racial and ethnic minorities by State and local law enforcement agencies are still prevalent in this State; and

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WHEREAS, Many judges, prosecuting attorneys, and defense attorneys are unaware of the prevalence and extent of that profiling and discrimination; and

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WHEREAS, Two-hundred and forty six years of slavery in the United States and 100 years of segregation and disenfranchisement laws, often referred to as Jim Crow laws, still have a profound effect on our society; and

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WHEREAS, We, as a nation, have not fully recovered from these past injustices; and

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WHEREAS, A new version of segregation and disenfranchisement laws are emerging in this country with voter suppression and the open demonstrations of violent behavior by White supremacists; and

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WHEREAS, The Illinois Supreme Court established: (1) the Code of Judicial Conduct (Supreme Court Rules 61 through 85); (2) Minimum Continuing Legal Education Rules for attorneys

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1 (Supreme Court Rules 790 through 798); and (3) the Illinois  
2 Rules of Professional Conduct of 2010 governing attorneys'  
3 conduct; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
5 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the  
6 House of Representatives urges the Illinois Supreme Court to  
7 require that judges, prosecuting attorneys, and criminal  
8 defense attorneys receive periodic training about racial  
9 profiling and racial discrimination; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this Resolution be  
11 presented to Chief Justice of the Illinois Supreme Court.