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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans has been
3 established in Illinois as an Illinois not-for-profit
4 corporation and has been designated a 501(c)(3) charitable
5 organization by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service; and

6 WHEREAS, That organization's purpose is to provide
7 transitional services to homeless veterans of the United States
8 military so that they can return to useful and productive
9 lives; and

10 WHEREAS, There is an obvious and growing need for such a
11 facility for veterans now returning from the conflicts in Iraq
12 and Afghanistan; and

13 WHEREAS, The Midwest Shelter is based on the very
14 successfully operated New England Shelter for Homeless
15 Veterans in Boston; and

16 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
17 Representatives recognize that the State has a responsibility
18 to its homeless citizens who have served, and will be serving,
19 in the United States military services; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
21 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
22 we urge the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs to provide
23 technical and financial services to enable the Midwest Shelter
24 for Homeless Veterans to begin providing services to homeless
25 veterans of the United States military as soon as possible; and
26 be it further

27 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
28 delivered to the Director of Veterans' Affairs.