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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives mourn the passing of Caleb Thomas Elliott, a  
4 constituent of the 109th House District, and would like to  
5 spread awareness of his tragic and preventable incident; and

6           WHEREAS, Caleb Elliott, the son of Doug and Dawn Elliott,  
7 tragically passed away on August 11, 2017 at the young age of  
8 19 years; his family wishes for this tragedy to bring to light  
9 the dangers of unsafe electrical wiring; and

10           WHEREAS, Caleb Elliot was electrocuted to death while  
11 working at a house in Troy; despite an inspection, the  
12 building was not wired to code; simple mistakes like this can  
13 have devastating consequences on communities and families; and

14           WHEREAS, Caleb Elliot is survived by his two sisters,  
15 Lauren Schmidt and Rachaelle Elliott; his three brothers,  
16 Christian, Brannon, and Jadon Elliot; and his parents, Doug  
17 and Dawn Elliot, who wish to spread awareness about his case to  
18 prevent it from happening again; and

19           WHEREAS, In the State of Illinois, electricians are  
20 certified on the local and county level with each jurisdiction  
21 passing its own rules or codes with which each electrician

1 must abide; and

2 WHEREAS, Illinois does not offer a statewide standardized  
3 electrician license; and

4 WHEREAS, Practicing electricians and those who hire  
5 electricians must practice their profession with the utmost  
6 caution and safety; and

7 WHEREAS, Multimeter tools are a readily available way to  
8 test wiring work for safety; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
10 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
11 we mourn the passing of Caleb Thomas Elliott on August 11, 2017  
12 and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and  
13 all who knew and loved him; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That to honor Caleb Elliot and to spread  
15 awareness of electrocution from faulty wiring and prevent this  
16 type of tragedy in the future, we declare August 11, 2025 as  
17 Caleb's Legacy: Electrical Awareness for a Safer Tomorrow Day  
18 in the State of Illinois; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That we urge local units of government to  
20 require electricians and electrician trainees in the State of

1 Illinois to be properly trained on and equipped with a  
2 certified multimeter tool sold by a licensed retailer that  
3 regularly sells such devices and to require use of the same;  
4 and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That we urge a donation program be created to  
6 promote awareness for this cause; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to the family of Caleb Elliott as an expression of  
9 our deepest sympathy.