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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, It is imperative for State agencies to regulate 3 the use of electrical lights in State buildings and facilities 4 to better conserve energy and to minimize light pollution; and

5 WHEREAS, It is the policy of this State to make every 6 effort to reduce the amount of energy that is unnecessarily 7 used and to minimize light pollution; and

WHEREAS, Turning off electrical lights whenever possible in State buildings and facilities saves energy that translates to lower energy bills and a smaller carbon footprint; and

WHEREAS, Shutting off lights when not in use also reduces light pollution from unnecessary artificial light at night that can harm wildlife, disrupt natural behaviors, and diminish the visibility of the night sky; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we encourage State agencies to regulate the use of electrical lights in State buildings and facilities to better conserve energy and to minimize light pollution, and we urge electrical lights in State buildings and facilities to be turned off unless the building or facility or that part of it is occupied,

- 1 unless the building or facility is open 24-hours a day,
- 2 limited to the areas and floors that are occupied, or unless
- 3 the lighting is required for security or safety purposes; and
- 4 be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 6 presented to the Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias and all
- 7 State agencies.