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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Lillian Drummond of Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Lillian Drummond was born on October 13, 1921; she was a longtime resident of the Austin neighborhood and was instrumental in the creation of the Austin Senior Satellite Center right across the street from her house; and

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WHEREAS, Lillian Drummond's most enduring work centered on energy affordability, a basic necessity she believed should never be denied to the poor or elderly; she helped organize the Affordable Budget Coalition in 1985, which successfully pushed for a 12% Energy Assistance Plan to keep heat and light available to low-income households; later, her advocacy helped lead to the passage of the Percentage of Income Payment Plan enacted in 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Lillian Drummond was also a founding member of the South Austin Coalition Community Council; and

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WHEREAS, Lillian Drummond was inducted into the Illinois Senior Citizen Hall of Fame and received an honorary street designation from the City of Chicago; she received the Edward

1 Bailey Lifetime Community Service Award in 2006; and

2 WHEREAS, Lillian Drummond was affectionately known as  
3 "Mama Lill" and was a woman of grace, resilience, and  
4 unwavering love; and

5 WHEREAS, Lillian Drummond taught by example what it meant  
6 to endure, to forgive, and to love deeply; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
8 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
9 we mourn the passing of Lillian Drummond and extend our  
10 sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew  
11 and loved her; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to the family of Lillian Drummond as an expression  
14 of our deepest sympathy.