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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Montford Point Marine Association, Inc. Chicago 3 Chapter 2 has been headquartered at 7011 South Vincennes Avenue 4 since 1983; it consists of members who have served in every 5 American conflict from World War II to Operation Iraqi Freedom; 6 and

- WHEREAS, The Montford Point Marine Association has donated tens of thousands of dollars to scholarship programs, shut-in veterans, and needy families; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The banquet halls of the headquarters have been used as a meeting place in the community for events such as weddings, Masonic groups, and Greek organizations; and
- WHEREAS, In 2011, President Barack Obama awarded the
 Congressional Gold Medal to every member of the Montford Point
 Marines both living and deceased; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
 we urge Cook County to grant an extension to Montford Point
 Marine Association, Inc. Chicago Chapter 2 so that they might
 raise funds to pay off \$75,000 in back taxes and continue to
 provide valuable support to the community.