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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives recognize the Africa Union Decision EX.CL/Dec.21 (VII) of the adopted definition of the Diaspora: "The African Diaspora consists of peoples of African origin living outside the continent, irrespective of their citizenship and nationality and who are willing to contribute to the development of the continent and the building of the African Union"; and

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WHEREAS, The Africa Union Decision EX.CL/Dec.221 divides the African Diaspora into two categories, people of African heritage who "involuntarily" migrated to North American, Europe, the Caribbean, Brazil, and Latin America, Oceania, etc. and persons who recently left Africa "voluntarily"; and

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WHEREAS, The Africa Union Decision EX.CL/Dec.221 establishes the "Diaspora As Africa's Sixth Region" and the "African Diaspora Sixth Region Illinois Chapter"; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate H.E. Ambassador Arikana Chihombori QUAO on the launch of the African Diaspora Sixth Region Illinois Chapter;

1 and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That we commend the contribution of H.E. Arikana
3 Chihombori and welcome her for the official launch of the
4 African Diaspora Sixth Region Illinois Chapter at the DuSable
5 Museum of African American History on June 14, 2019; and be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That we commend the contribution of Mr. Olivier
8 Kamanzi, Chairman of the Africa Global Chamber of Commerce and
9 congratulate him on his nomination as the new Chairman of the
10 African Diaspora Sixth Region Illinois Chapter; and be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to H.E. Ambassador Arikana Chihombori QUAO as an
14 expression of our esteem and respect.