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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Neighborhood Housing  
4 Services on 45 years of serving as advocates for economic  
5 inclusion and working to close the racial wealth gap through  
6 homeownership; and

7 WHEREAS, Neighborhood Housing Services believes decent,  
8 safe, and affordable housing is a human right, part of the  
9 American dream, and should be available to all; and

10 WHEREAS, Neighborhood Housing Services has leveraged the  
11 expertise of many, working with residents, community  
12 organizations, and corporate partners to renew neighborhoods  
13 and rehabilitate homes throughout the entire Chicago  
14 metropolitan area and Cook County; and

15 WHEREAS, Neighborhood Housing Services helps first-time  
16 homebuyers through homebuyer education, down payment  
17 assistance programs, and affordable mortgage options; and

18 WHEREAS, Neighborhood Housing Services provides support  
19 and financial guidance to those suffering under the crushing  
20 burden of student loan debt; and

1           WHEREAS, Neighborhood Housing Services is committed to  
2 helping working families strengthen their neighborhoods  
3 through community building, real estate development, and  
4 housing policy; and

5           WHEREAS, Neighborhood Housing Services realizes that many  
6 have suffered due to discriminatory practices and imbalanced  
7 lending practices, particularly in some of the most challenged  
8 areas, and that these practices contribute significantly to the  
9 persistent racial wealth gap that Neighborhood Housing  
10 Services seeks to eliminate; and

11           WHEREAS, Housing quality serves as a visual and tangible  
12 indicator of the health of a community and represents one of  
13 the largest assets a neighborhood can cultivate and develop;  
14 and

15           WHEREAS, Homeownership brings stability to neighborhoods  
16 decimated by decades of divestment; and

17           WHEREAS, Neighborhood Housing Services is at the forefront  
18 of creating the next generation of affordable single family  
19 homes designed to accommodate the ever-changing needs of  
20 today's families while being conscious of the environmental  
21 responsibilities and challenges of the future; therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
2 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
3 we congratulate Neighborhood Housing Services on 45 years of  
4 advocating for economic inclusion and working to close the  
5 racial wealth gap through home ownership, and we wish them many  
6 more successful years; and be it further

7           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to Neighborhood Housing Services as a symbol of our  
9 respect and esteem.