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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Rev. Dr. Adron Robinson 4 on the occasion of his 15th anniversary as senior pastor of 5 Hillcrest Baptist Church in Country Club Hills; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Robinson, the son of Beauford and Alice Robinson, was born and raised in Chicago; he committed to his faith at an early age, being baptized at the age of six under Pastor William F. Fristoe of Providence Missionary Baptist Church in Chicago; he later became licensed to preach and earned a Bachelor of Arts from DePaul University, a certificate in Urban Ministry from the Seminary Consortium for Urban Pastoral Education (S.C.U.P.E.), and a Master of Divinity and a Doctorate of Ministry, both from Northern Baptist Theological Seminary; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Robinson was called to serve as assistant pastor of Shiloah Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Ronald Webb in 2005, where he was subsequently ordained and served in a number of capacities, including as youth minister, conference teacher, and revivalist throughout the United States and West Africa; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Robinson became the first-ever African

- 1 American senior pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, located in
- 2 Country Club Hills, in April 2009; during his tenure, he has
- 3 remained committed to serving the Hillcrest family and the
- 4 surrounding communities with compassion and integrity; under
- 5 his leadership, the Hillcrest congregation has remained
- 6 committed to their faith while living the word of their faith
- 7 and transforming lives; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Over his pastoral career, Pastor Robinson has
- 9 remained passionate about men's ministry, establishing the
- 10 Men's Fraternity at Hillcrest Baptist Church and cultivating
- its purpose for the last 10 years; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Pastor Robinson currently serves on the Executive
- 13 Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention and as president
- 14 of the Illinois Baptist State Association, becoming one of
- three African Americans to hold the position of president in
- 16 the organization's history; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Pastor Robinson has been married to his wife and
- 18 the first lady of Hillcrest Baptist Church, Veronica Robinson,
- 19 since 2001; they continue to serve their faith in both
- 20 marriage and ministry; therefore, be it
- 21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 22 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that

- 1 we congratulate Rev. Dr. Adron Robinson on his 15th
- 2 anniversary as senior pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, and
- 3 we wish him continued success in his endeavors; and be it
- 4 further
- 5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 6 presented to Pastor Robinson as an expression of our esteem
- 7 and respect.