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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois and the Illinois Department
3 of Corrections (IDOC) are committed to enhancing public safety
4 and reducing recidivism; and

5 WHEREAS, Studies have shown that community-based
6 residential treatment facilities offering housing, counseling,
7 workforce training, and other supportive services can reduce
8 recidivism rates and improve successful reentry for
9 individuals in the justice system; and

10 WHEREAS, Partnerships with non-profit providers can enable
11 Illinois to offer safe, community-based residential
12 facilities, where individuals receive mental health
13 counseling, job training, substance abuse treatment, and
14 restorative justice services, all of which contribute to
15 lowering recidivism and enhancing community safety; and

16 WHEREAS, Alternatives to incarceration administered by
17 community-based, non-profit organizations alleviate burdens on
18 the Illinois budget by reducing the cost of incarcerating
19 individuals in IDOC facilities; and

20 WHEREAS, IDOC currently spends \$4,106 per person per month
21 to incarcerate an individual in a department facility,

1 according to its FY2024 Financial Impact Statement; and

2 WHEREAS, IDOC is permitted to contract with
3 community-based, non-profit providers at that same rate on a
4 per person, per month basis to house and support these
5 individuals who would otherwise be incarcerated in a
6 department facility at the same cost; and

7 WHEREAS, The contracts would support eligible individuals
8 when subject to a judicial order to live and be served in a
9 community-based facility as an alternative to incarceration;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, These community-based non-profit facilities could
12 neither be a private correctional facility nor a private
13 detention facility pursuant to State law, but a residential
14 treatment facility is permitted; and

15 WHEREAS, This approach envisions long-term outcomes such
16 as reducing recidivism, promoting workforce readiness, and
17 facilitating smoother transitions for individuals back into
18 society; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
20 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
21 we urge the Illinois Department of Corrections under their

1 existing statutory authority to draft and adopt administrative
2 rules authorizing community-based, non-profit residential
3 treatment providers to apply for the same monthly Financial
4 Impact Statement funds per person and per month to support
5 their operations; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That we urge that these rules enable IDOC to
7 automatically fund qualified community-based non-profit
8 residential providers that meet objective state standards for
9 service provision, safety, and rehabilitative support; and be
10 it further

11 RESOLVED, That IDOC has existing statutory and budget
12 authority to enter into these funding agreements with
13 community-based, non-profit residential treatment providers
14 that are not private correctional facilities or private
15 detention facilities; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That administrative rules governing
17 applications, standards, and metrics for residential treatment
18 facilities to qualify for automatic funding with IDOC would
19 enhance transparency and incentivize more development of these
20 non-profit residential treatment facilities; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
22 delivered to the Director of the Illinois Department of

1 Corrections and the Governor of Illinois to encourage
2 immediate steps toward implementing alternatives to
3 incarceration contractual programs that emphasize
4 rehabilitation, reintegration, and public safety.