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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Sam Ackerman, an esteemed resident of Chicago, on the occasion of the celebration of his 70th birthday on December 23, 2004; and

WHEREAS, Sam Ackerman was born in New York City in 1934 and spent his childhood in Connecticut; he graduated from Cornell University in 1956 with a BA degree in government, and received his MBA degree from the University of Chicago in 1966; he has taught at Roosevelt University as an adjunct professor since 1988; and

WHEREAS, His first priority is to his family; he is the father of five children and grandfather to nine grandchildren; he has a brother, sister, foster sister, and nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Sam is currently Education Director of Comprand, Inc., a non-profit research and advocacy organization in Chicago dedicated to improved education and health care for inner-city residents; he also serves public and private-sector clients as a human resources consultant and trainer; and

WHEREAS, In 1984, he was loaned to the City of Chicago by CFS Continental, where he held the position of Director of Training and Productivity Improvement; he served under Mayor Washington, first as Special Counsel and then as First Deputy Commissioner of Personnel; and

WHEREAS, He has served for eight years on the Board of the Illinois Quality of Work Life Council, an organization committed to labor-management cooperation and increased democracy in the workplace; and

1 WHEREAS, His hobbies include tennis, fishing, bridge, and
2 progressive independent politics; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
5 we extend our heartiest congratulations and best wishes to Sam
6 Ackerman on the occasion of his 70th birthday; that we commend
7 him for achieving a diverse and fulfilling life, and we wish
8 him continued happiness and good health in the future; and be
9 it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to Sam Ackerman as an expression of our respect and
12 esteem.