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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Galewood Community Church
4 United Church of Christ on the occasion of the 100th
5 anniversary of its founding; and

6 WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church was founded in 1912,
7 with a total congregation of 19 members; it was the only church
8 that served the Galewood area for several years; and

9 WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church was expanded 3
10 different times throughout its history; at the beginning it was
11 a gathering space only, then in 1917, a chapel was built, and
12 years later a community wing with full basement, full kitchen,
13 and several classrooms was constructed; and

14 WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church chose to be Open and
15 Affirming, when it was unpopular for churches to select that
16 distinction; it selected its first African American pastor,
17 Rev. Dr. Tasha M. Brown, in September 2012; and

18 WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church has had many youth
19 programs such as Youth Outreach Services with Rev. Stan Davis;
20 it had the Executive Director of Community Renewal Society
21 serve as its associate pastor for many years, Rev. Dr. Calvin

1 Morris; and

2 WHEREAS, Galewood Community Church has always had a
3 difficult time, and each year it was not always expected to
4 survive its struggles, but it continues on; it has always been
5 on the cusp of firsts, taking stands, and moving forward;
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 we congratulate Galewood Community Church United Church of
10 Christ on its 100th anniversary; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the members of Galewood Community Church United
13 Church of Christ as an expression of our esteem and respect.