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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the congregation of
4 Hermon Baptist Church in Chicago on the occasion of the
5 church's 125th anniversary; and

6 WHEREAS, Hermon Baptist Church is the oldest
7 African-American church on the north side of Chicago serving a
8 diverse community; the church was established in 1888 by 13
9 singers, with Reverend J.W. Taylor serving as the church's
10 first pastor until 1897; the church has been at its current
11 location at 1754 North Clark Street in Chicago since 1902; and

12 WHEREAS, Under the leadership of its current pastor,
13 Reverend Keith L. Edwards, Hermon Baptist Church continues its
14 mission of "Serving, Assembling, and Encouraging" and
15 providing spiritual growth to its membership and the community
16 at large; and

17 WHEREAS, The congregation of Hermon Baptist Church will
18 celebrate the 125th anniversary of the church with an event on
19 October 27, 2013; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
21 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that

1 we congratulate the congregation of Hermon Baptist Church on
2 the occasion of the church's 125th anniversary and wish them
3 continued success and happiness in the future; and be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to Hermon Baptist Church as a symbol of our esteem
7 and respect.