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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Federation of Indian Associations was
3 established to both celebrate Asian-Indian history and culture
4 as well as to provide a platform and a voice for the
5 Asian-Indian community; and

6 WHEREAS, Over the years, the Federation of Indian
7 Associations has taken perceptions and interests about India to
8 the mainstream community and furthered the interests of Indians
9 residing in the United States; and

10 WHEREAS, It is in the spirit of celebrating Asian-Indian
11 culture and its influence in the mainstream community that we
12 gather together with the Federation of Indian Associations to
13 celebrate India's 66th Republic Day; and

14 WHEREAS, India's Republic Day commemorates the historic
15 events that began in 1947 when India gained her independence
16 from British rule and in 1950, formally established the
17 republic's constitution; India's Republic Day also offers a
18 wonderful opportunity for Indian Americans in the northwest
19 suburbs of Chicago to rejoice and celebrate their rich
20 heritage; and

21 WHEREAS, Celebrating India's Republic Day gives all

1 citizens a chance to embrace Indian culture and learn more
2 about its history and traditions; and

3 WHEREAS, India's Republic Day remembers the great
4 sacrifices that were made during the struggle for India's
5 independence; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
7 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
8 commemorate India's 66th Republic Day; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the Federation of Indian Associations as an
11 expression of our esteem and respect.