HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Reverend C.R. Phillips has served as Pastor of Calvary M.B. Church in Chicago for 40 years; and

WHEREAS, He was born in Camden, Alabama, and moved in early childhood to Mobile, Alabama where he attended grammar and high school; in 1956, he moved to Chicago, where he attended Jones Commercial High School and Loop Junior College; and

WHEREAS, He united with Original Mount Pleasant M.B. Church in 1956; he was called to the ministry in 1960, and served as an Associate Minister at Original Mount Pleasant M.B. Church; in 1968, he completed studies at the Chicago Baptist Institute in Seminary Theology, and in 1973, he received his Bachelor of Arts in Theology; and

WHEREAS, In 1964, he was installed as Pastor of Calvary M.B. Church; since then, the church has experienced tremendous growth; the membership grew from 50 in 1964 to over 3,000 in 2001; in 1984, the Church celebrated its 53rd anniversary by moving to its present location at 8247 South Jeffery; and

WHEREAS, Calvary M.B. Church is a member of the National Baptist Convention and the New Era District; the Church is also involved in neighborhood and community activities; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Phillips is married to Sister Carolyn A. Lindsey Phillips; they have two sons, Roger Phillips and Sgt. Roderick Lindsey, and several grandchildren; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Reverend C.R. Phillips on the occasion of his 40th anniversary as Pastor of Calvary M.B. Church in Chicago and we thank him for his inspirational service to the community; and

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be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Reverend C.R. Phillips as an expression of our admiration and esteem.

