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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, Shelter Alliance is a national organization that 3 offers domestic violence shelters and social 4 organizations cash for collecting old cell phones, creating an 5 easy and essential fundraising tool for domestic violence 6 programs; and 7 WHEREAS, Organizations involved in domestic violence 8 prevention and safety programs collect used cell phones and 9 deliver them to Shelter Alliance, which pays between \$0.50 and 10 \$30 per cell phone; and 11 WHEREAS, Shelter Alliance has contributed over \$2,500,000 12 to social service organizations nationwide; and 13 WHEREAS, There are nearly 300,000,000 cell phone users in 14 the United States and it is predicted that wireless users 15 switch phones every 18 months on average; and 16 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois has announced its intention 17 to recycle electronic waste, including cell phones discarded by 18 the government; therefore, be it 19 RESOLVED, ΒY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ΟF THE

NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we

- 1 urge the State to recycle cell phones through a program that
- will benefit and raise funds for domestic violence prevention
- 3 and victims; and be it further
- 4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 5 presented to Governor Blagojevich and the Director of Central
- 6 Management Services.