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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The City of Elgin, located along the historic Fox River, was officially incorporated as a city in the State of Illinois on February 28, 1854; and

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WHEREAS, Since that time, the City of Elgin has been a leader in business, industry, education, historic preservation, and environmental stewardship in the Fox Valley; and

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WHEREAS, The City of Elgin celebrates and embraces its rich diversity of cultures, religions, and architecture; and

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WHEREAS, The City of Elgin has always sought to provide outstanding city services while exercising fiscal responsibility; and

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WHEREAS, The City of Elgin continues that resolve by committing to the creation of a sustainable master plan that will ensure a quality community for future generations; and

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WHEREAS, This comprehensive sustainability plan will address issues including: transportation, community education, housing and urban design, economic development, alternative energy, green building and energy conservation, recycling and

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1 waste management, water, waste water, and stormwater
2 management, parks, green infrastructure, and a healthy
3 community; and

4 WHEREAS, The City of Elgin relies upon the many
5 contributions of its business partners, volunteers, community
6 activists, and leaders who are committed to these efforts; and

7 WHEREAS, Elgin is the home to School District 301 and
8 School District U-46, the second largest school district in the
9 State of Illinois; Elgin Community College, celebrating its
10 60th anniversary; Judson University; the Gail Borden Public
11 Library; the Elgin Area Convention and Visitors Bureau; the
12 Elgin Symphony Orchestra; the Chicago Bandits; the Grand
13 Victoria Foundation; and many neighborhood organizations,
14 including the Downtown Neighborhood Association of Elgin and
15 the Elgin Community Network; and

16 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois recognizes the commitment of
17 Elgin's community partners, leaders, and volunteers, as well as
18 Elgin Mayor Ed Schock, City of Elgin Councilmembers Juan
19 Figueroa, Robert Gilliam, David Kaptain, F. John Steffen, and
20 John Walters, and the city staff; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
22 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we

1 recognize February 26, 2009 as Elgin Day in the State of
2 Illinois; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to Elgin Mayor Ed Schock on behalf of the citizens of
5 Elgin, as a symbol of our respect and esteem.