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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to welcome President Abdoulaye
4 Wade of Senegal to the State of Illinois as he comes to discuss
5 business opportunities between Illinois and Senegal; and

6 WHEREAS, Abdoulaye Wade came to power during the elections
7 of March 19, 2000, which established Senegal's first party
8 political transition; he was re-elected as President of Senegal
9 following the elections in February of 2007; and

10 WHEREAS, President Wade completed his studies in France at
11 the University of Besançon and at the University of Grenoble;
12 he worked for many years as a professor at the Faculty of Legal
13 and Economic Sciences at the University of Dakar, where he also
14 became Dean in 1970, and then went on to become a private
15 lawyer and international affairs consultant, where he presided
16 over several summits and international working groups; and

17 WHEREAS, President Wade has published numerous essays and
18 articles on economics, law, political science, and
19 mathematics; he is the founder of the Senegalese Democratic
20 Party and held a few minister of state posts during 26 years in
21 opposition; and

1 WHEREAS, President Wade and a delegation of more than forty
2 government and business leaders from Senegal will be in
3 Illinois to meet with Illinois business leaders and discuss the
4 opportunities for collaboration between Illinois and Senegal;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, It is our pleasure to have President Wade and the
7 leaders from Senegal here in Illinois and hope that their many
8 meetings have a beneficial outcome for both the State of
9 Illinois and Senegal; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
11 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
12 welcome President Abdoulaye Wade to the State of Illinois and
13 wish him the best in all his endeavors; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to President Abdoulaye Wade as a symbol of our
16 respect and esteem.