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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, For many decades, the rabbis and synagogues of the southern suburbs of Chicago and northwest Indiana have jointly sponsored a community-wide Holocaust memorial service that is open and free to all peoples of all faiths; and

WHEREAS, This year, the theme of the memorial service will be "Forbidden Music... We Still Remember"; the service will feature music composed by three composers interred in concentration camps, Hans Krasa, Vicktor Ullmann, and Gideon Klein, who had written extensively before the Holocaust and who continued to compose under dire circumstances until they were sent to their deaths; their music, noted for its great beauty, was embraced by the inmates of Theresienstadt for life and hope and kept alive in their memories of normal life before the Holocaust; and

WHEREAS, The music will be performed by Linda Veleckis Nussbaum, a principal and executive director of the Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra, who will be accompanied by Hal Grossman, Nina Saito, Heather Carlasare, and Emily Mantel; and

WHEREAS, We must all do our part to ensure that the Holocaust and its many victims will not be forgotten or trivialized; it is fitting that we show our unwavering support

- 1 for those who wish to keep the memory of those victims alive;
- 2 therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 4 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 5 we show our support for Temple Anshe Sholom and Rabbi Paul
- 6 Caplan as they host this year's Holocaust memorial service; and
- 7 be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 9 presented to Temple Anshe Sholom as a symbol of our esteem and
- 10 respect.