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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to honor Ray Lomas of Rock Island  
4 on a lifetime of helping children in the communities that  
5 surround him; and

6           WHEREAS, Since the 1950s, Ray Lomas has been a fixture in  
7 Rock Island, helping underprivileged kids; he has coached  
8 baseball teams, started the Rock Island Track Club in the early  
9 1960s, and was a co-founder of the Metro Youth Group in the  
10 1980s; and

11           WHEREAS, On October 24, 2013, approximately 250 people  
12 attended a gathering at the Rock Island Holiday Inn to honor  
13 Ray Lomas; in attendance was Rock Island Mayor Dennis Pauley  
14 who declared October 24 to be Ray Lomas Day in the city; and

15           WHEREAS, Ray Lomas was born in Jackson, Mississippi and his  
16 family eventually settled in Rock Island; and

17           WHEREAS, Ray Lomas spent 36 years working for the John  
18 Deere Company in East Moline; and

19           WHEREAS, Ray Lomas has touched the lives of hundreds, if  
20 not thousands, of children and has always tried to make a

1 difference, not only in the west end of Rock Island, but the in  
2 the Quad-Cities as well; therefore, be it

3       RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
4 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
5 we recognize and honor Ray Lomas on a lifetime of helping  
6 others and wish him the best in all his future endeavors; and  
7 be it further

8       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
9 presented to Ray Lomas as an expression of our esteem and  
10 respect.