

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble
3 background, worked throughout his life serving freedom and
4 advancing the public good, having been employed as an
5 entertainer, Union leader, corporate spokesman, Governor of
6 California and President of the United States; and

7 WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction
8 for two terms as the 40th President of the United States of
9 America; the second of which he was victorious in 49 of the
10 50 states in the general election, earning the confidence of
11 3/5 of the electorate, a record unsurpassed in the history of
12 American presidential elections; and

13 WHEREAS, in 1981, when Ronald Reagan was inaugurated
14 President, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by
15 rampant inflation and high unemployment; and

16 WHEREAS, During Mr. Reagan's presidency he worked in a
17 bipartisan manner to enact his bold agenda of restoring
18 accountability and common sense to Government which led to an
19 unprecedented economic expansion and opportunity for millions
20 of Americans; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Reagan's commitment to an active social
22 policy agenda for the nation's children helped lower crime
23 and drug use in our neighborhoods; and

24 WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to our armed
25 forces contributed to the restoration of pride in America,
26 her values and those cherished by the free world, and
27 prepared America's Armed Forces to win the Gulf War; and

28 WHEREAS, President Reagan's vision of "peace through
29 strength" led to the end of the Cold War and the ultimate
30 demise of the Soviet Union, guaranteeing basic human rights
31 for millions of people; and

1 WHEREAS, on February 6, 2001 Ronald Reagan will have
2 reached the age of ninety years, thus becoming both the
3 oldest active and oldest former President in the history of
4 our nation; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
7 we hereby recognizes February 6, 2001, and subsequent
8 anniversaries thereafter as "Ronald Reagan Day"; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be sent to
11 President Ronald Wilson Reagan.