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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Michael Jordan is a celebrated global cultural  
3 icon who received his start as a professional National  
4 Basketball Association (NBA) player for the Chicago Bulls  
5 basketball team; during his 15 season career with the NBA, he  
6 became a beloved figure for his incredible athleticism,  
7 dedication, and contribution to his community; and

8 WHEREAS, Michael Jordan had many notable accomplishments  
9 and made many notable contributions; during his Chicago NBA  
10 career, he was a six-time NBA champion, a six-time NBA Finals  
11 MVP, a five-time NBA Most Valuable Player, a 14-time NBA  
12 All-Star, a 11-time All-NBA selection, a three-time NBA  
13 All-Star game MVP, and Defensive Player of the Year; on the  
14 national stage, he was awarded the 2016 Presidential Medal of  
15 Freedom and named the Chief Wish Ambassador by the Make-A-Wish  
16 Foundation in 2008, granting his 200th wish to the foundation  
17 in 2013; and

18 WHEREAS, Michael Jordan was born in Brooklyn, New York on  
19 February 17, 1963; he was raised in Wilmington, North  
20 Carolina, the fourth child of Deloris and James Jordan Sr.; he  
21 loved baseball and football but was destined to rule the  
22 basketball courts; he rigorously trained to earn a spot on the  
23 high school varsity team, becoming a star player who was

1 selected for the 1981 McDonald's All-American Game; learning  
2 early in life to build a strong work ethic and dedication to  
3 the game, he paved the way for future greatness; and

4 WHEREAS, Michael Jordan was named ACC Freshman of the Year  
5 (1981-1982) while attending the University of North Carolina  
6 at Chapel Hill and made the winning shot for the 1982 NCAA  
7 Championship game against Georgetown; he entered the NBA draft  
8 after his third year as a Tar Heel, and in 1984, he was  
9 selected by the Chicago Bulls, where he earned many accolades;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Michael Jordan is especially world-renowned for  
12 his athleticism, business acumen, and courtside charm;  
13 therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
15 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
16 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate Warren Boulevard  
17 in Chicago from Western Avenue to Ashland Avenue named as  
18 "Michael Jordan Way"; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
20 presented to Michael Jordan as a symbol of our respect and  
21 esteem.