



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

HC0013

Introduced 2/18/2025, by Rep. Camille Y. Lilly

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

ILCON Preamble.

Amends the Preamble to the Illinois Constitution. Specifies that the Illinois Constitution was adopted for the purpose of, among other things, ensuring access to education, employment, food, healthcare, housing, and transportation. Effective upon being declared adopted.

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3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
4 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
5 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the
6 electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general
7 election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption
8 of this resolution a proposition to amend the Preamble to the
9 Illinois Constitution as follows:

10 PREAMBLE

11 (ILCON Preamble.)

12 We, the People of the State of Illinois - grateful to
13 Almighty God for the civil, political and religious liberty
14 which He has permitted us to enjoy and seeking His blessing
15 upon our endeavors - in order to provide for the health, safety
16 and welfare of the people; ensure access to education,
17 employment, food, healthcare, housing, and transportation;
18 maintain a representative and orderly government; eliminate
19 poverty and inequality; assure legal, social and economic
20 justice; provide opportunity for the fullest development of
21 the individual; insure domestic tranquility; provide for the
22 common defense; and secure the blessings of freedom and
23 liberty to ourselves and our posterity - do ordain and

1 establish this Constitution for the State of Illinois.

2 (Source: Illinois Constitution.)

3 SCHEDULE

4 This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being
5 declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois
6 Constitutional Amendment Act.