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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to recognize the Asian American Law
4 Enforcement Association (AALEA) for its dedication in
5 protecting the communities its members serve; and

6 WHEREAS, AALEA was founded in 1983 and serves as the voice
7 of over 700 active and retired members of the law enforcement
8 community in the Great Lakes Region; and

9 WHEREAS, Members of AALEA assist and advance the civic and
10 cultural aims of the Asian American and Pacific Islander
11 communities; and

12 WHEREAS, AALEA is dedicated to developing and promoting
13 stronger connections and collaborations between Asian American
14 communities and federal, state, and local law enforcement
15 agencies through community service and networking; and

16 WHEREAS, AALEA promotes diversity within the law
17 enforcement community and opens doors for advancement for
18 Asian American law enforcement officers through leadership
19 training and mentorship; and

20 WHEREAS, During the COVID-19 pandemic, AALEA partnered

1 with the Mission of Our Lady of the Angels Church to provide 70
2 boxes of food per week to the food pantry services of senior
3 housing complexes in various Asian communities around the city
4 with sizable Chinese, Korean, Thai, Indian, Pakistani,
5 Indonesian, Vietnamese, Lao, and Tibetan populations; and

6 WHEREAS, AALEA established the Trooper Chong Soo Lim
7 Scholarship in honor of Trooper Chong Soo Lim of the Illinois
8 State Police, the first Asian American officer and AALEA
9 brother who made the ultimate sacrifice in the performance of
10 his duties in 1995; and

11 WHEREAS, AALEA created the Officer Xu Meng Community
12 Appreciation Award to honor the life and legacy of Officer Xu
13 Meng of the Chicago Police Department; and

14 WHEREAS, AALEA formed the Malcolm Woo Leadership Award to
15 commemorate Officer Malcolm Woo of the Chicago Police
16 Department (Ret.), the association's founding father, whose
17 passionate leadership and unwavering dedication were
18 exemplified through his active participation in community
19 events; and

20 WHEREAS, AALEA also belongs to the National Asian Peace
21 Officers' Association (NAPOA), the largest Asian American law
22 enforcement association in America, and will host the 2025

1 NAPOA Annual Training Symposium and Exposition in Chicago;
2 therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
4 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
5 we recognize the Asian American Law Enforcement Association
6 (AALEA) for its dedication and sacrifice in serving and
7 protecting our communities; and be it further

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