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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, January is Radon Action Month, and it is  
3 imperative for all Illinois citizens and property owners to  
4 test their homes, schools, apartments, healthcare facilities,  
5 and other occupied buildings for radon; and

6 WHEREAS, Radon is a colorless, odorless, radioactive gas  
7 that may threaten the health of Illinois citizens and their  
8 families; and

9 WHEREAS, Radon is the second-leading cause of lung cancer  
10 in the U.S., and it is the leading cause of lung cancer in  
11 non-smokers; and

12 WHEREAS, The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
13 estimates that radon is responsible for approximately 21,000  
14 lung cancer deaths each year; and

15 WHEREAS, In Illinois, 41% of homes, and an even higher  
16 percentage of schools and commercial buildings, have high  
17 radon levels; and

18 WHEREAS, Any building in Illinois may have elevated levels  
19 of radon, even if neighboring buildings do not, and elevated  
20 levels pose a serious health threat to Illinois citizens; and

1           WHEREAS, Testing for radon is simple and inexpensive, and  
2 identified radon problems can be fixed; and

3           WHEREAS, The Illinois Emergency Management Agency, the  
4 U.S. Office of Homeland Security, and the U.S. Environmental  
5 Protection Agency are supporting efforts to encourage  
6 homeowners to test their homes for radon, to mitigate elevated  
7 levels of radon, and to build new homes with radon-resistant  
8 materials and features; therefore, be it

9           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
10 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
11 we declare the month of January 2025 as Radon Action Month in  
12 the State of Illinois.