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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Donald Trump shamefully rolled back the
3 hard-fought progress of the LGBTQ+ community since the repeal
4 of Don't Ask, Don't Tell by banning transgender Americans from
5 serving in our country's military; and

6 WHEREAS, The Supreme Court of the United States wrongfully
7 validated his attack on our brave service members by
8 temporarily allowing the ban to go into effect; and

9 WHEREAS, In response to this hateful attack on service
10 members by our country's very own commander-in-chief and the
11 nation's highest court, United States Senator Tammy Duckworth,
12 an Illinois hero, responded by stating that when she was
13 bleeding to death in her Black Hawk helicopter on a dusty field
14 in Iraq, she didn't care if the American troops risking their
15 lives to help save her were gay, straight, transgender, black,
16 white, male, or female; and

17 WHEREAS, Since taking office, Donald Trump and his
18 extremist allies have worked to deny basic human rights to
19 LGBTQ+ Americans; and

20 WHEREAS, Not only has Donald Trump's administration banned
21 LGBTQ+ Americans from honorably serving our country, they have

1 argued against people qualifying for Title VII protection under
2 civil rights legislation, which would allow people to be fired
3 for their sexual orientation with no grounds for legal
4 recourse; and

5 WHEREAS, Donald Trump's administration has revoked
6 guidelines that protected LGBTQ+ youth in their schools; and

7 WHEREAS, Donald Trump's administration has halted or
8 rolled back regulations intended to protect LGBTQ+ Americans
9 from discrimination in health care settings; and

10 WHEREAS, These attacks on our fellow Americans are an
11 affront to the founding principles of our nation; and

12 WHEREAS, In a time of dangerous, anti-democratic rhetoric
13 on the rise across the world, Donald Trump's actions hinder our
14 country's standing in the world as a leader of justice and
15 equality; and

16 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois values and respects the
17 inherent worth of every person, regardless of gender identity
18 and sexual orientation; and

19 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois will continue fighting for
20 every one of its citizens by continuing to enact state-level

1 protections that support the LGBTQ+ community; and

2 WHEREAS, People throughout the State of Illinois have gone
3 to great lengths to be allies and support our fellow LGBTQ+
4 residents by planning pride festivities in communities like
5 Chicago, Carbondale, Aurora, and Buffalo Grove; therefore, be
6 it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
8 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 we condemn Donald Trump's blatant bigotry and discriminatory
10 policies against the LGBTQ+ community, whose perseverance and
11 battle for justice embody the true spirit of our union, a
12 spirit which calls on us to perfect our union by correcting the
13 wrongs in society until we are all truly equal; and be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to BG Pride, Mundelein LGBT Alliance and Allies, and
17 to all members of the Illinois Congressional Delegation.