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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Sharone Mitchell Jr. on 4 being appointed Cook County Public Defender; and

5 WHEREAS, Sharone Mitchell, prior to becoming the Cook 6 County Public Defender, served as Director of the Illinois 7 Justice Project (April 2014-July 2016), as a Criminal Defense 8 Attorney with the Cook County Public Defender's Office 9 (February 2010-July 2016), and as a Criminal Defense Legal 10 Intern with Cabrini-Green Legal Aid (2007- 2009); and

WHEREAS, Sharone Mitchell, as Director of the Illinois Justice Project, was instrumental in helping to craft the criminal justice reform bill that Gov. JB Pritzker signed into law; he was especially involved in the provision eliminating cash bail in the State; and

WHEREAS, Sharone Mitchell is a lifelong resident of Cook County; he was raised in the West Pullman neighborhood of Chicago and graduated from Morgan Park High School; he received his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign and his Juris Doctor from the DePaul University College of Law; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Sharone Mitchell has promised to serve as an
- 2 engine for progressive system change; therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 4 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 5 we congratulate Sharone Mitchell Jr. on being appointed Cook
- 6 County Public Defender and wish him the best in his new role;
- 7 and be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 9 presented to Sharone Mitchell as a symbol of our respect and
- 10 esteem.