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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of  
4 Chris-Tia Donaldson, who passed away on November 13, 2021; and

5           WHEREAS, Chris-Tia Donaldson was born in 1979; she  
6 received her Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Harvard  
7 University; she earned her Juris Doctor from Harvard Law  
8 School; and

9           WHEREAS, Chris-Tia Donaldson was the founder and chief  
10 executive officer of Thank God It's Natural (tgin), a  
11 manufacturer of natural hair and skin care products, which she  
12 established in September 2006; she oversaw all aspects of  
13 operations, including product development, social media, sales  
14 and marketing, human resources, legal, and accounting; she  
15 also negotiated distribution agreements and managed purchase  
16 orders, promotional campaigns, and store growth strategy; and

17           WHEREAS, Prior to starting her own company, Chris-Tia  
18 Donaldson served as senior corporate counsel at Oracle for 10  
19 years, where she negotiated complex business transactions  
20 involving technology and open source code and advised C-suite  
21 executives on the business and legal ramifications of matters  
22 of law, regulation, policy, and strategy; she also provided

1 legal support to Global Business Operations, including product  
2 development, regulatory, marketing, procurement, corporate  
3 finance, auditing, bankruptcy, and employment divisions; and

4 WHEREAS, Chris-Tia Donaldson was deeply committed to  
5 raising breast cancer awareness and the benefits of early  
6 detection among women of color; she founded the not for profit  
7 tgin Foundation to support uninsured women undergoing  
8 treatment for breast cancer, highlight the impact of health  
9 disparities on survivor outcomes, and stress the importance of  
10 early detection for women under the age of 40; and

11 WHEREAS, Chris-Tia Donaldson will be greatly missed; her  
12 legacy will live on; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
14 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
15 we mourn the passing of Chris-Tia Donaldson and extend our  
16 sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew  
17 and loved her; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19 presented to the family of Chris-Tia Donaldson as an  
20 expression of our deepest sympathy.