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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to honor Dr. O.C. Morgan, Sr. for 4 his work and dedication to his church and his community; and

whereas, Dr. O.C. Morgan, Sr. received his general education in Little Rock, Arkansas; he subsequently received his leadership training at Moody Bible Institute and his Biblical training at Chicago Baptist Institute; he later received an Honorary Doctorate from Urban Bible College in Michigan in 1988 and an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity from Arkansas 1st College in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Dr. O.C. Morgan, Sr. confessed his calling to the ministry in 1949 in Chicago at the Greater Lily Baptist Church, under the pastorate of Reverend G. B. Lock; he then served as an associate minister for 2 years; he was ordained in 1951 by Reverend L. H. Haynes; in 1958, he was called to Johnson Singer Baptist Church of Illinois, where he served until he was called to Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church of Chicago in 1959; in 1960, he was called to the Evening Star Missionary Baptist Church, where he has served as pastor for 43 years; and

WHEREAS, From 1987 to 1990, Dr. O.C. Morgan, Sr. served as president of the Baptist Minister's Conference of Chicago and

- 1 vicinity; he later became the President of the Chicago Chapter
- of the International Fellowship of Christians for Missions and
- 3 Coordinator of the State of Illinois Home Mission Board; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Dr. O.C. Morgan, Sr. is the father of 4 beautiful
- 5 children, Ronald Owens, Larry Washington, Tracey Morgan, and
- Odis Morgan, Jr., and his adopted daughter, Michelle Carlisle;
- 7 he also has 44 nieces and nephews, 165 great-nieces and
- 8 nephews, 96 great, great-nieces and nephews, and 17 great,
- 9 great, great-nieces and nephews; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Dr. O.C. Morgan, Sr. serves as a model of hard
- 11 work, integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
- 12 Illinois; therefore, be it
- 13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 14 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 15 honor Dr. O.C. Morgan, Sr. for his many accomplishments and
- 16 wish him continued success and happiness in the future; and be
- 17 it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 19 presented to Dr. O.C. Morgan, Sr. as a symbol of our esteem and
- 20 respect.