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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Falun Gong, also known as Falun Dafa, is a
3 discipline of personal beliefs that incorporates exercise,
4 meditation, and principles based on truthfulness, compassion,
5 and forbearance; its millions of practitioners work to attain
6 inner peace, good health, and better skills to deal with stress
7 and conflict in life; and

8 WHEREAS, Although rooted in ancient Chinese spiritual
9 tradition, Falun Gong was first taught publicly in China by Mr.
10 Li Hongzhi, the founder of the practice, in 1992; Falun Gong
11 spread quickly through word-of-mouth, with tens of millions of
12 Chinese citizens finding greater health and spiritual
13 well-being through the practice; and

14 WHEREAS, Falun Gong actively works to bring about a
15 peaceful resolution to the persecution of Falun Gong in China
16 and improve the future of the world's most populous country;
17 these actions have led to 4 Nobel Peace Prize nominations for
18 its founder, Li Hongzhi; and

19 WHEREAS, Since 1992, over 100 million people of all ages
20 and backgrounds in over 80 countries worldwide have become
21 healthier, happier, and more altruistic through their practice
22 of Falun Dafa; and

1 WHEREAS, Falun Dafa practitioners throughout the State of
2 Illinois and the nation at large dedicate countless hours to
3 their communities through free meditation lessons, Chinese
4 cultural productions of music and dance, and participation in
5 local events; and

6 WHEREAS, On May 13, 2012, thousands of people throughout
7 the United States will celebrate World Falun Dafa Day and
8 commemorate the 20th anniversary of the introduction of one of
9 the world's most popular meditation and cultivation practices;
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
13 we designate the week of May 13, 2012 as Falun Dafa Week in the
14 State of Illinois in honor of Falun Gong and its work in
15 bringing physical and spiritual well-being to the people of
16 this State; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to Falun Gong as a symbol of our esteem and respect.