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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Donald L. Alford, Sr. on 4 the occasion of his 30th anniversary as Senior Pastor of 5 Progressive Life-Giving Word Cathedral in Hillside; and
- WHEREAS, Donald Alford, Sr. was born and raised in Maywood;
 his parents are the late Dr. James Benjamin Alford, Sr. and
 Minnie Alford; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Donald Alford, Sr. is a lifelong member of the 10 Progressive Church of God in Christ; his passion for the things 11 of God began to manifest first in the music ministry, where his 12 great music ability in the areas of traditional gospel music 13 and praise and worship caused him to be recognized throughout 14 the nation; and
- WHEREAS, After the passing of his father in 1983, Donald 15 Alford, Sr. was appointed Pastor of Progressive Life-Giving 16 Word Cathedral in Hillside; in June of 1995, he was ordained as 17 18 an Apostle (Spiritual Overseer) at the church; he has 19 subsequently served Senior Pastor of Progressive as Word Cathedral, where 20 Life-Giving he has provided his 21 congregation with spiritual quidance for the last 30 years; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Donald Alford, Sr. and his wife are the CEOs of 2 Don-Glo Music and have written and produced several projects under this endeavor, including the platinum single, "All I 3 Wanna Do Is Bless Your Name"; he has also written and produced 4 5 many hits, including "Thank You" performed by the Thompson Community Singers, "Things Are Gonna Get Better" performed by 6 Pastor Shirley Caesar, and "I Know What Prayer Can Do" 7 8 performed by Dr. Ricky Dillard and Choir; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Donald Alford, Sr. is the author of "Don't Tell Me 10 It's Too Late", a book of his struggles, disappointments, and 11 victories; and
- WHEREAS, Donald Alford, Sr. and his loving wife of 33
 years, Gloria Windom-Alford, are the parents of 4 children,
 Donald II (Rasheeda), Stephon, Terrell, and Brianna, and the
 proud grandparents of 4 grandchildren, Dajia, Donald III,
 DeVaughn, and Jayla; therefore, be it
 - RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Donald L. Alford, Sr. on the occasion of his his 30th anniversary as Senior Pastor of Progressive Life-Giving Word Cathedral and wish him continued success and happiness in the future; and be it further

- 1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 2 presented to Donald Alford, Sr. as a symbol of our esteem and
- 3 respect.