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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Each year, Illinois faces catastrophic events,
3 such as tornadoes, hail, thunderstorms, and flooding, all of
4 which carry the potential to cause serious damage or, even
5 worse, total destruction to private property and homes; and

6 WHEREAS, Following disasters, stressed and strained
7 homeowners are vulnerable to predatory practices from
8 dishonest contractors fraudulently inflating repair or
9 rebuilding costs; and

10 WHEREAS, Predatory practices by unscrupulous contractors
11 taking advantage of these stressful scenarios ultimately
12 increase costs for consumers by driving up insurance premiums
13 and forcing insurers to reevaluate risk; and

14 WHEREAS, It is imperative that an effective public
15 outreach campaign highlights the various types of contractor
16 fraud schemes to help educate consumers on how to identify and
17 avoid such schemes; and

18 WHEREAS, The National Insurance Crime Bureau encourages
19 Illinoisans to get at least three written estimates when
20 hiring a contractor, check contractor credentials, and work
21 closely with insurers during the entire rebuilding process;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, The National Insurance Crime Bureau, in
3 collaboration with its local and state partners in Illinois,
4 including law enforcement, first responders, legislators, and
5 state officials, are committed to educating Illinoisans about
6 predatory practices by dishonest contractors; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
8 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 we declare May 19-23, 2025 as Contractor Fraud Awareness Week
10 in the State of Illinois and encourage all Illinoisans to
11 become familiar with contractor fraud and participate in the
12 various programs during the fifth annual event; and be it
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to the National Insurance Crime Bureau as an
16 expression of our respect and esteem.