



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the
3 State of Illinois are pleased to congratulate Joseph Perry,
4 president and CEO of Perry Group, Ltd., on being inducted into
5 the University of Illinois at Chicago Entrepreneurship Hall of
6 Fame; and

7 WHEREAS, The Entrepreneurship Hall of Fame, the oldest and
8 most prestigious program honoring Chicago area entrepreneurs,
9 was first presented in 1984; the University of Illinois at
10 Chicago's Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies co-sponsors
11 the annual event; honorees are interviewed and evaluated by a
12 panel of judges consisting of previous nominees, business media
13 representatives, and executives of sponsoring organizations;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, The award highlights Mr. Perry as an example of a
16 successful leader who recognizes opportunities with
17 creativity, persistence, and sound business judgement; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Perry expanded his Kankakee County-based
19 commercial real estate and development firm into the Chicago
20 marketplace in late 2002; his background and understanding of
21 the industry have allowed him to become the number one volume
22 commercial real estate agent in the market each of the years he
23 actively participated in brokerage; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Perry's active role in the brokerage business
25 was relatively dormant for a short period of time in 1994 when
26 he started an affiliate company, J.M. Perry Development Corp.,
27 which developed smaller commercial and industrial
28 build-to-suits as well as market-rate multi-family residential
29 subdivisions; this led to a very specialized segment of the
30 multi-family development business with the advent of the use of
31 Federal Tax Credits to develop affordable senior housing

1 developments around the Midwest; since the first project in
2 1995, this entity has developed nearly \$50 million in
3 affordable senior housing projects; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
5 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
6 congratulate Joseph Perry on being inducted into the University
7 of Illinois at Chicago Entrepreneurship Hall of Fame; and be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to Joseph Perry as an expression of our respect and
11 esteem.