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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Beni Cwiakala on being named the MasterChef Junior Season Six winner; and

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WHEREAS, Beni Cwiakala served a three-course dinner that the judges called incredible; for the appetizer round, she served smoked salmon with corn blini, pickled radishes, and lemon-herb creme fraiche; in the entree round, she took a risk by serving a veal chop, something she had never cooked, with beet-potato fondant, red cabbage sauerkraut, and mustard cream sauce; for dessert, she served a deconstructed apple tartlet with walnut crumble, apple-brandy cream, and cranberry coulis; and

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WHEREAS, Beni Cwiakala landed on top during more challenges than any other Season Six contestant; the final challenge capped a near-perfect season for her, and earned her praise from the judges, one of whom noted, "there's not an element that's done with anything short of perfection"; and

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WHEREAS, Beni Cwiakala won a trophy and a \$100,000 prize, which she said will go to organizations that help feed kids and a food truck she can eventually use to teach kids how to cook healthy food; and

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1 WHEREAS, Beni Cwiakala lives with her family in the Pilsen
2 neighborhood of Chicago, and at the time of the competition,
3 she was a fifth grade student at Namaste Charter School in
4 McKinley Park; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
6 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
7 congratulate Beni Cwiakala on winning Season Six of MasterChef
8 Junior, and we wish her success in her future endeavors; and be
9 it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to Beni Cwiakala as an expression of our esteem and
12 respect.