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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives wishes to congratulate MacNeal Hospital (MacNeal) in Berwyn on receiving the 2019 George A. Ashby Award for Business Excellence from the Berwyn Development Corporation; and

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WHEREAS, The George W. Ashby Award for Business Excellence is a local honor named after one of Berwyn's distinguished early architects; the award is given annually to one Berwyn-based business that presents a professional and favorable image to Berwyn, provides quality goods or services, maintains a visually appealing space, and practices high-quality customer service to its patrons; and

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WHEREAS, In 1919, Dr. Arthur MacNeal launched a small practice from the living room of his unassuming, ten-room residence in Berwyn; he quickly outgrew his residence and broke ground on a three-story building just a few miles north; by the 1940s, MacNeal Hospital was the city's top employer; and

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WHEREAS, As equal parts employer and consumer, the hospital ushered in a wealth of opportunity and development for Berwyn and the surrounding communities in Chicago's western suburbs; and

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1 WHEREAS, In 1969, MacNeal instituted the first department
2 of family practice residency program in Illinois; this program
3 helped train future family physicians and also established
4 MacNeal as a teaching hospital; today, as a member of Trinity
5 Health and Loyola Medicine, the family practice residency
6 program is just one of many educational programs offered at
7 MacNeal; and

8 WHEREAS, Opened in 1964, the coronary care unit at MacNeal
9 has leading-edge technology, state-of-the art facilities,
10 advanced diagnostics, and provides minimally invasive
11 procedures; the coronary care unit helped earn MacNeal a spot
12 as one of IBM Watson Health's top 50 cardiovascular hospitals
13 for the past two years; MacNeal maintains its top 50 ranking by
14 always pursuing better, more advanced ways to care for
15 patients, their hearts, and their overall well-being; and

16 WHEREAS, MacNeal is nationally recognized for its
17 dedication to stroke education, prevention, and recovery;
18 MacNeal's Primary Stroke Center, which has served patients for
19 over ten years, has received the Joint Commission Gold Seal of
20 Approval and the American Heart Association/American Stroke
21 Association Stroke Gold Plus Quality Award; these awards are
22 testaments to the comprehensive care and rehabilitation
23 services MacNeal offers its patients throughout the recovery
24 process; and

1 WHEREAS, Since 2018, Loyola Medicine and MacNeal have been
2 proud sponsors of one of the community's largest signature
3 events, Berwyn's Oktoberfest; in 2019, MacNeal celebrated 100
4 years of serving Berwyn and the surrounding communities; and

5 WHEREAS, For the past century, MacNeal has been providing
6 exceptional medical services to patients while cultivating
7 leaders in healthcare and education; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
9 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
10 we congratulate MacNeal Hospital on receiving the 2019 George
11 A. Ashby Award for Business Excellence; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to MacNeal Hospital as an expression for our esteem
14 and respect.