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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Felix Pasteris on the occasion of his 100th birthday; and

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WHEREAS, Felix Pasteris was born Felice Leach Pasteris to Andrew and Oselina Pasteris, immigrants from Villa Regia in Northern Italy, on June 11, 1921; he later changed his first name to Felix; he graduated from Joliet High School; he served in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II; he attended the University of Illinois; he married Helen Hanis, and they were together for 70 happy years; he is a lifelong resident of Joliet; and

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WHEREAS, Felix Pasteris has achieved a number of things during his long life, but one of his greatest accomplishments was serving in the U.S. Army Air Forces during World War II; he was the crew chief of the famous P38 plane "Shoot, You're Faded", and he traveled to Europe, Africa, and the Philippines; for his service, he was awarded a Bronze Star Medal, three Presidential Medals, a Distinguished Badge, Good Conduct, and two Silver Star Bars; and

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WHEREAS, Felix Pasteris survived COVID-19 earlier this year, thanks in part to receiving his first dose of the vaccine

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1 prior to contracting the virus and the loving care of his
2 daughter, Pam, and her family; and

3 WHEREAS, Felix Pasteris is the father of Dave, the late
4 Tom, the late Terry, Pam, and Lee; he instilled in his children
5 the idea that you should never be embarrassed to ask
6 questions; he finds his greatest joy from his family, his
7 children, his grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; and

8 WHEREAS, Felix Pasteris is a gifted storyteller, a
9 passionate gardener, a world traveler, a Democrat, and a
10 Catholic; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
12 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
13 we congratulate Felix Pasteris on his 100th birthday, and we
14 wish him many more happy and healthy year; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to Felix Pasteris as an expression of our esteem and
17 respect.