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Illinois House 2 WHEREAS, The members of the of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate author Philip A. Aleo for 4 his dedication to preserving local history and telling the stories of local communities in Illinois and the United 5 6 States; and

WHEREAS, Philip Aleo was born in Chicago and has resided in Dundee Township his entire life; he has developed passions for history, photography, and travel, combining these interests to become an author who has written and published over two dozen historical and photographic books; and

WHEREAS, As an author, Philip Aleo has focused prominently on local history, avidly researching and documenting the stories of intriguing buildings, landmarks, and people in local communities, including Carpentersville, Dundee Township, Galena, and Sleepy Hollow in Illinois and Durango, Ouray, Silverton, and the ghost town of St. Elmo in Colorado; and

WHEREAS, Philip Aleo's first publication, Dundee Township, Moments Frozen In Time, began as a project of personal interest with no intentions of becoming a book but grew into a publication when he recognized his interests in history and photography could be used to help the local community preserve

- and celebrate its past by documenting Dundee Township through
- 2 photographic history, including East and West Dundee, Old
- 3 Carpentersville, and Meadowdale; and
- WHEREAS, Philip Aleo has also recently published two works
- 5 about Abraham Lincoln, including Abraham Lincoln Forgotten
- 6 Stories of His Life, detailing Lincoln's life through nearly
- 7 50 short stories that originally appeared in Illinois
- 8 newspapers, and Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site,
- 9 telling the story of the village where Lincoln once lived and
- 10 the historic site's reconstruction; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Philip Aleo is an avid researcher who not only
- 12 writes his own books but also completes all photography, photo
- 13 restoration, book and cover design, and formatting for his
- works; therefore, be it
- 15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 16 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 17 we congratulate Philip A. Aleo for his passion and dedication
- 18 to preserving local history through telling the stories of
- 19 people and places in local communities; and be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 21 presented to Philip Aleo as a symbol of our esteem and respect.