



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the
3 State of Illinois are pleased to recognize milestone events for
4 businesses of the State; and

5 WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Earl Gaudio and
6 Son, Inc. of Vermilion County is celebrating the 100th
7 anniversary of its inception; the company has the distinction
8 of being the only wholesale beer distributor to have 100 years
9 of exclusive relationship with Anheuser-Busch; and

10 WHEREAS, The family business was started in 1904 in Benld
11 by the Gaudio family; during Prohibition, Anheuser-Busch
12 bottled soft drinks and built carriages and freezers, and the
13 Gaudio family distributed the legal beverages; and

14 WHEREAS, Earl Gaudio, the second generation in the family
15 to run the business, joined his father in the family business
16 in the late 1940s; in 1956, the family became aware of a beer
17 distributorship available for sale in Danville, and the family
18 moved its business to Vermilion County; and

19 WHEREAS, Dennis Gaudio became the third generation to serve
20 in the family business in 1972; his son, Eric, came on board in
21 2001, making him the fourth generation to run the family
22 business; therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
24 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
25 congratulate Earl Gaudio and Son, Inc. on the occasion of its
26 100th anniversary; and be it further

27 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
28 presented to the Gaudio family as an expression of our respect
29 and esteem.