



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, St. Alphonsus Lignori School in Prospect Heights  
3 was presented with the nation's top award for excellence in  
4 education by the U.S. Department of Education; the parochial  
5 school was named a 2004 No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon School  
6 of Excellence; and

7 WHEREAS, The Blue Ribbon is the highest designation for  
8 both public and private schools to receive; it is awarded to  
9 schools that either meet or exceed state testing requirements  
10 or to schools that have made great strides in closing  
11 achievement gaps; and

12 WHEREAS, Only 14 schools in Illinois received the Blue  
13 Ribbon Award and only two of them were parochial schools, both  
14 under the Archdiocese of Chicago; and

15 WHEREAS, St. Alphonsus Lignori is a school of 315 students  
16 from preschool through eighth grade; it earned the award by  
17 posting high scores from its March 2003 Terra Nova standardized  
18 tests, which were above Blue Ribbon requirements; therefore, be  
19 it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
21 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
22 we congratulate the students, faculty, and staff of St.  
23 Alphonsus Lignori School on being named a 2004 No Child Left  
24 Behind Blue Ribbon School of Excellence; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
26 presented to St. Alphonsus Lignori School as an expression of  
27 our respect and esteem.