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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The scientists in the cutting-edge laboratories  
3 of America's pharmaceutical research companies create most of  
4 the world's new medicines, which benefit tens of millions of  
5 patients; and

6           WHEREAS, Due to their efforts, more than 2,500 medicines  
7 are in development today to give patients more and better  
8 therapeutic options; and

9           WHEREAS, These potential new treatments include  
10 pharmaceuticals for cancer, Alzheimer's disease, infectious  
11 diseases, heart disease, arthritis, stroke, diabetes, obesity,  
12 hypertension, HIV/AIDS, and many other life-threatening  
13 diseases and medical conditions; and

14           WHEREAS, The men and women who discover and create these  
15 medicines deserve recognition for their life-saving and  
16 life-enhancing accomplishments; and

17           WHEREAS, Recipients of the Pharmaceutical Research and  
18 Manufacturers of America's Discoverers Award over the  
19 program's 20 years have included the creators of vital new  
20 medicines for life-threatening infections, chronic myeloid  
21 leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, AIDS, preventing rejections of

1 life-saving transplants, and lowering cholesterol; therefore,  
2 be it

3       RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
4 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
5 applaud the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of  
6 America (PhRMA) on the 20th anniversary of its Discoverers  
7 Award program, which each year honors scientists whose tireless  
8 research and development of new pharmaceuticals have greatly  
9 benefited patients all over the world.