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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the staff of
4 DZIENNIK ZWIAZKOWY on the occasion of the newspaper's 100th
5 anniversary; and

6 WHEREAS, The history of DZIENNIK ZWIAZKOWY began in 1907
7 when the Polish National Alliance decided to create a newspaper
8 to serve the entire Polish-American community during their 1907
9 National Convention; the first edition of DZIENNIK ZWIAZKOWY,
10 literally translated to "The Alliance Daily", was printed on
11 January 15, 1908; the newspaper's first editor was Frank
12 Jablonski, a dedicated journalist and Polish-American activist
13 and former PNA President and ZGODA editor; and

14 WHEREAS, In the coming decades after the inception of
15 DZIENNIK ZWIAZKOWY, the newspaper grew to become the most
16 widely read Polish newspaper in the City of Chicago, no small
17 task in such a hotly contested city; by 1923, after taking over
18 rival newspaper National Daily, the circulation surpassed
19 54,000; under Karol Piatkiewicz, the newspaper's editor from
20 1931 until 1967, DZIENNIK ZWIAZKOWY became the authoritative
21 source of news regarding "all things Polish", and made a
22 particularly memorable contribution during World War II and the
23 Cold War years; and

1 WHEREAS, In recent decades, editors such as Jan Krawiec,
2 Anna Rychlinska, and Wojciech Bialasiewicz have enabled
3 DZIENNIK ZWIAZKOWY to reach out to new generations of Polish
4 immigrants and their families, providing outstanding coverage
5 of important subjects such as the rise of the Solidarity
6 movement, the papacy of John Paul II, the fall of Soviet
7 communism, and the rise of democracy in Poland; and

8 WHEREAS, The unparalleled journalistic integrity and
9 intense commitment to the Polish-American community exhibited
10 by the staff of DZIENNIK ZWIAZKOWY is worthy of the greatest
11 respect; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
14 congratulate the staff of DZIENNIK ZWIAZKOWY on the occasion of
15 the newspaper's 100th anniversary and wish them continued
16 success in the future; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the staff of DZIENNIK ZWIAZKOWY as a symbol of our
19 esteem and respect.