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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the men and women
4 who represent Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago,
5 on the occasion of the organization's 90th anniversary; and

6 WHEREAS, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago
7 began in 1917 when a group of Chicago business and civic
8 leaders approached Cardinal Mundelein, asking for the
9 establishment of an agency to serve the poor; since its
10 origins, Catholic Charities of Chicago has grown to become the
11 largest private social service agency in the Midwest, and the
12 largest Catholic Charities organization in the United States;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Catholic Charities has adapted to meet the
15 changing needs of Chicago, becoming pioneers in several areas;
16 the organization helps abandoned children, the aged and
17 infirmed, and families in trouble, and worked in these areas
18 before many current social service agencies began serving these
19 particular needs; and

20 WHEREAS, More than 1.1 million men, women, and children are
21 served each year through Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese
22 of Chicago; and

1 WHEREAS, Catholic Charities opened the St.Leo Campus for
2 Veterans in 2007; the Campus is the first of its kind in the
3 United States, assisting homeless veterans with housing,
4 medical assistance, and job training; and

5 WHEREAS, Catholic Charities fulfills the role of the
6 Catholic Church in the mission of charity to anyone in need;
7 Catholic Charities provides compassion, professional services
8 that strengthen and support individuals and families, and
9 fulfills needs across communities; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
11 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
12 congratulate the men and women who work everyday to make
13 Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago an agency
14 dedicated to helping others; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to a representative of Catholic Charities of the
17 Archdiocese of Chicago as a symbol of our respect and esteem.