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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to honor Dean Barrow for his work  
4 as the Prime Minister of Belize and welcome him to the State of  
5 Illinois during his visit to Waukegan on April 17, 2010; and

6           WHEREAS, Prime Minister Barrow entered Belizean politics  
7 in 1983; he became the nation's Minister of Foreign Affairs in  
8 1984; and

9           WHEREAS, For many years, Prime Minister Barrow served as  
10 the Leader of the Opposition, a position reserved for the  
11 individual who, under the Belizean Constitution, "commands the  
12 support of those elected officials who do not support the  
13 government"; after the elections on February 7, 2008, Prime  
14 Minister Barrow and his United Democratic Party won 25 of the  
15 31 seats in the Belizean House of Representatives; on February  
16 8, 2008, Prime Minister Barrow was designated as the nation's  
17 first black Prime Minister; and

18           WHEREAS, Prime Minister Barrow will be the keynote speaker  
19 at the Concerned Belizeans, Inc. Annual Fundraiser at the  
20 Bonnie Brook Golf Course in Waukegan on April 17, 2010; and

21           WHEREAS, Prime Minister Barrow serves as a model of hard

1 work, integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of  
2 Illinois and the nation of Belize; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
4 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
5 honor Dean Barrow for his work as the Prime Minister of Belize  
6 and wish him and the people of Belize success and happiness in  
7 the future; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That we welcome Prime Minister Barrow to the  
9 State of Illinois during his visit to Waukegan; and be it  
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
12 presented to Prime Minister Dean Barrow as a symbol of our  
13 esteem and respect.