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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Lee DeWyze as the winner 4 of the ninth season of the reality television singing 5 competition American Idol; and

6 WHEREAS, Lee DeWyze was born on April 2, 1986 in Mount 7 Prospect; he attended St. James Catholic Elementary School in 8 Arlington Heights, Prospect High, and Forest View Alternative 9 School; and

10 WHEREAS, Lee DeWyze began singing at an early age; he later 11 formed the Lee DeWyze Band, which recorded two albums for WuLi 12 Records; and

13 WHEREAS, Lee DeWyze auditioned for American Idol at 14 Chicago's United Center in June of 2009; he was one of only 13 15 singers from the Chicago auditions to advance to the next round 16 of competition; and

WHEREAS, Lee DeWyze received praise from a multitude of music industry talents and executives for his performances throughout American Idol; and

20 WHEREAS, Lee DeWyze was named the winner of the 9th season

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3 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois was proud to welcome Lee 4 DeWyze back to the Chicago area as part of his American Idol 5 Homecoming Day; he was honored with a parade in his hometown of 6 Mount Prospect, performed at Arlington Park, and threw out the 7 first pitch at Wrigley Field; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, ΒY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 9 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 10 congratulate Lee DeWyze for being named the winner of the 9th 11 season of American Idol and wish him continued success in his musical career; and be it further 12

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 14 presented to Lee DeWyze as a symbol of our esteem and respect.