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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Ronald M. Serpico  
4 on the occasion of receiving the Robert G. Cimo Peacemaker  
5 Award from the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans; and

6           WHEREAS, The Robert G. Cimo Peacemaker Award is given by  
7 the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans to those who  
8 promote harmony and unity within their communities; and

9           WHEREAS, Ronald Serpico graduated from Proviso East High  
10 School in 1970; he subsequently earned his bachelor's degree in  
11 political science from ISU in 1974 and his Juris Doctor degree  
12 from the DePaul School of Law in 1977; and

13           WHEREAS, Ronald Serpico, believing in his grandfather's  
14 vision of the "American Dream", successfully ran for Mayor of  
15 Melrose Park in 1997; as mayor, he has made it his mission to  
16 make Melrose Park a community where people want to move to and  
17 not from; and

18           WHEREAS, Ronald Serpico was a delegate to the Democratic  
19 National Convention in 1972; he is also a charter member and  
20 vice president of Sigma Nu Fraternity at Illinois State  
21 University and a former board member of the Proviso Early

1 Intervention Building Program; and

2 WHEREAS, Ronald Serpico has been a practicing attorney  
3 since 1977 and has been in private practice since 1980; he is a  
4 former prosecutor and library attorney for the Village of  
5 Melrose Park and a former prosecutor for the Village of Stone  
6 Park; he is also a former board attorney for the Veterans Park  
7 District and a former attorney for the Branch 825 Letter  
8 Carriers Union and the Local 1027 Carpenters Union; and

9 WHEREAS, Ronald Serpico is well known in his community for  
10 his great generosity; he has taken on cases for many clients  
11 who have been unable afford a legal retainer; and

12 WHEREAS, Ronald Serpico and his loving wife of 36 years,  
13 Donna, have 3 children, Ron Jr., Joanna, and Michael, and 6  
14 grandchildren, Hannah, David, Thomas, Brooklyn, Naomi, and  
15 Giovanna; and

16 WHEREAS, Ronald Serpico will be presented with the Robert  
17 G. Cimo Peacemaker Award during an event at the Donald E.  
18 Stephens South Ballroom in Rosemont on June 9, 2012; therefore,  
19 be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
21 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that

1 we congratulate Ronald M. Serpico on the occasion of receiving  
2 the Robert G. Cimo Peacemaker Award and wish him continued  
3 success and happiness in the future; and be it further

4       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
5 presented to Ronald Serpico as a symbol of our esteem and  
6 respect.