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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to recognize the Milano Bakery on the

occasion of the 100th anniversary of its founding; and

5 WHEREAS, The Milano Bakery was founded in Chicago in 1915 6 by Mario DeBenedetti, Sr., his sister, Mary, and his 7 brother-in-law, Frank Soffianti; it has been located in Joliet 8 since 1926; and

- 9 WHEREAS, The Milano Bakery has been passed down through 10 numerous generations of family members, first from Mario, Sr. 11 to Mario, Jr., and it is now operated by brothers, Mario, III 12 and Darin; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Most employees of the Milano Bakery are family 14 members, helping out with pastry baking, wedding cakes, sales, 15 and customer service; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The Milano Bakery has survived the Great
  17 Depression and other economic downturns throughout the years
  18 and continues to thrive after over a century in operation;
  19 therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

- 1 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 2 recognize the Milano Bakery on its 100th anniversary and we
- 3 wish it many more years of success; and be it further
- 4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 5 presented to the DeBenedetti family as an expression of our
- 6 esteem and respect.