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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, Making the world a better place begins with young 3 children; children are citizens of the world who need emotional and physical stability and should not, ordinarily be separated 4 5 from their parents and family; and 6 WHEREAS, Children have a right to education, to receive 7 quidance and instruction, to enjoy a social life, and to build 8 their own futures; and 9 WHEREAS, Children have the right to food so that they will 10 not suffer from malnutrition or die of hunger; and 11 WHEREAS, Children have the right to health, to be protected 12 against illness, and to grow and become healthy adults; and 13 WHEREAS, Children have the right to safe drinking water and proper sanitary conditions; and 14 WHEREAS, Children have the right to identity by having a 15 16 surname, a first name, and a nationality; and 17 WHEREAS, Children have the right to freedom by being able 18 to express themselves, to have opinions, to have access to

information, and to participate in decisions that affect their

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- 1 lives; this includes the right to religious freedom; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Children have the right to protection and to live
- 3 in a secure and caring environment which preserves the child's
- 4 well-being; and
- 5 WHEREAS, All of the above rights are also rights given to
- 6 children who have obtained Deferred Action for Childhood
- 7 Arrivals (DACA) status; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The United States should have an established
- 9 national date to recognize the achievements of children; and
- 10 WHEREAS, April 30, 2017, Dia de los Ninos (Children's Day),
- 11 recognizes and acknowledges every child; this day commemorates
- 12 the lives of our future pride and joy, our children; children
- of the Latino community have much to contribute to the future
- of this State; and
- WHEREAS, More than 3,000 children and families will attend
- 16 the Chicago Dia de los Ninos/Celebrating Young Americans Parade
- 17 & Festivity; the parade strives to raise awareness about the
- importance of education for children; this year's theme and
- 19 focus are Children's Rights are DACA Rights; the guiding
- 20 principle is Education: Every Child, Every DREAM; and

1 WHEREAS, The Chicago Dia de los Ninos/Celebrating Young

2 Americans Parade will be held on Saturday, April 29, 2017 in

3 the heart of the Pilsen community of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, By celebrating Dia de los Ninos (Children's Day)

on April 30, 2017, we are making a commitment to children that

6 we will all continue to acknowledge, support, and advocate for

7 their rights; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE

HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we

recognize the celebration of Dia de los Ninos (Children's Day)

11 to be held on April 30, 2017.

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