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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Eduardo "Eddie" Garcia on 4 receiving the 33rd Annual Charles E. Piper Award; and

5 WHEREAS, Each year, the Berwyn Development Corporation 6 selects an individual who best exemplifies the spirit of one of 7 Berwyn's original developers, Charles E. Piper; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Garcia was born in Pachuca, Hidalgo, Mexico and is a graduate of St. Joseph High School; he is a first generation Mexican-American born to proud immigrant parents, Florencia Rosas and Aristeo E. Garcia; the Garcia family migrated from Mexico City to the United States in 1989 when Eddie was only five years old; and

WHEREAS, At the age of 21, Eddie Garcia attained his real estate license; he sold his first property six months later; in 2012, he founded Realty of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, In 2017, Realty of Chicago closed \$126 million in sales and has grown to over 80 agents with three offices located throughout the Chicago area; and

WHEREAS, Each year, Eddie Garcia and Realty of Chicago give

- 1 back to the communities of Berwyn and Cicero, providing
- 2 thousands of children with backpacks and school supplies,
- 3 feeding over 15,000 people on Thanksgiving Day, and providing
- 4 scholarships to high school graduates; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 6 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 7 congratulate Eduardo "Eddie" Garcia on receiving the 33rd
- 8 Annual Charles E. Piper Award, and we wish him the best in all
- 9 his future endeavors; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to Eddie Garcia as a symbol of our respect and
- 12 esteem.