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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Mary Caprio on the 4 occasion of her 90th birthday on May 23, 2019; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mary Caprio is a lifelong resident of Chicago's 6 Southwest Side and a graduate of Chicago's Gage Park High 7 School; her love for and knowledge of her community are 8 unmatched; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mary Caprio met the man who would become her 10 husband, Tony Caprio, while shopping at his shoe store at 63rd 11 and Pulaski; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Over more than 50 years of marriage, Mary Caprio 13 and Tony operated Caprio's Shoes at that same location, 14 becoming a fixture in the community; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Mary Caprio and Tony developed long-lasting
 16 relationships within the community and through the store, where
 17 clientele ranged from neighbors to international celebrities,
 18 including musicians Lawrence Welk and Guy Lombardo and Nobel
 19 Prize-winning physicist Enrico Fermi; polio victims who were
 20 outfitted at Caprio's Shoes with special shoes designed to aid
 21 with balance continued to return and visit the store decades

- 1 later; and
- WHEREAS, Mary Caprio is celebrating her 90th birthday with
- 3 her niece and goddaughter Barbara Stark and many other loved
- 4 ones; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 6 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 7 we join with friends and loved ones in congratulating Mary
- 8 Caprio on her 90th birthday; and be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 10 presented to Mary Caprio as a symbol of our respect and esteem.