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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Chicago style bungalows, generally defined as  
3 rectangular shape, 1 1/2-story brick home with a low-pitched  
4 roof built between 1910 and 1945, make up approximately 113 of  
5 the City of Berwyn's housing units; and

6 WHEREAS, Most of the bungalows in the City of Berwyn were  
7 built between 1920 and 1930, when the population in the City of  
8 Berwyn more than tripled; and

9 WHEREAS, The bungalow has played a significant role in the  
10 City of Berwyn's history; and

11 WHEREAS, The City of Berwyn's bungalows were honored in a  
12 2007 article in American Bungalow Magazine as "Chicagoland's  
13 Greatest Treasure", mainly because they incorporate  
14 "architectural detail and a level of ornamentation seldom seen  
15 elsewhere."; the author of this article lives in a Chicago  
16 bungalow in Chicago, but nevertheless stated that the best  
17 examples of the "Chicago" bungalow are in Berwyn; and

18 WHEREAS, In 2011, This Old House Magazine recognized Berwyn  
19 as the best neighborhood for bungalows; and

20 WHEREAS, For over a century, the bungalow has served as a

1 spacious and affordable apartment alternative for generations  
2 of Berwyn residents; and

3 WHEREAS, The City of Berwyn's bungalows provide their  
4 owners with many benefits, including sole proprietorship of  
5 their own home, a yard, a walkable neighborhood, public  
6 transportation, quality parks and recreation, and convenient  
7 access to the Midwest's largest job center; and

8 WHEREAS, It is the City of Berwyn's policy to encourage the  
9 continued viability of its bungalows by providing resources and  
10 incentives for the City's bungalow owners to restore their  
11 homes and maintain the city's unique streetscapes and friendly  
12 neighborhoods; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL  
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we designate the first  
15 week in May of 2012 as Bungalow Appreciation Week in the State  
16 of Illinois.