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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Adam Lizakowski, poet and teacher, completed 2 3 publication on his most recent book, "40 Listow Poetyckich" in 4 May of 2014; and 5 WHEREAS, Living in the United States since 1982, Adam Lizakowski has been contributing to the written word for over 6 7 30 years, penning works of thoughtful poetry, and reaching many 8 different audiences with his work translated into over half a 9 dozen languages; and 10 WHEREAS, Adam Lizakowski was awarded the Marek Hlasko Prize for Poetry in 1990, the Knight's Cross of the Order of Merit by 11 the President of the Republic of Poland in 2012, and many other 12 13 accolades over the course of his career; and 14 WHEREAS, Adam Lizakowski's book, "Chicago, City of Belief" 15 was chosen as Book of the Year by the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization, 16 Division, in 2008; and 17 18 WHEREAS, Along with the success he enjoys as a celebrated

author, Adam Lizakowski gives back to his community as the

director of the Polish Arts and Poetry Association in Chicago,

and is a mentor and teacher to many; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Adam Lizakowski is an important figure in the
- 2 Polish community of Chicago, furthering cultural understanding
- 3 between two places with deep and meaningful ties; therefore, be
- 4 it.
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 6 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 7 we do hereby recognize and extend our congratulations to Adam
- 8 Lizakowski on his recent publication and wish him the best in
- 9 his future literary endeavors; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of the resolution be
- 11 presented to Adam Lizakowski as an expression of our esteem and
- 12 respect.