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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 Chester Grzybowski on the 4 occasion of his 105th birthday on June 27, 2016; and

5 WHEREAS, Chester Grzybowski was born on June 27, 1911; he 6 grew up on Chicago's South Side in the Back of the Yards 7 neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Chester Grzybowski worked in the Civilian Conservation Corps during the Great Depression, building roads and lodges throughout the United States; during World War II, he served with the United States Army in the South Pacific; and

WHEREAS, Chester Grzybowski is considered by his family and friends to be a master storyteller who enjoys sharing his perceptions about history, culture, and life; he also enjoys reading, music, visiting with his friends at his many senior clubs, and traveling with his family and friends; he is an avid sportsman and loves fishing and rooting on the Chicago White Sox and Bears; in his younger days, he was a ballroom dancer and still collects old recordings and memorabilia from the Big Band era; and

WHEREAS, Chester Grzybowski married Josephine, whom he met

- dancing in a ballroom, in the early 1940s, and they had a
- 2 daughter, Carol-Anne; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Chester Grzybowski has been witness to much
- 4 history throughout the years but has always kept his love of
- 5 humanity and his spirited optimism; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Chester Grzybowski's secret to living a long life
- 7 is to stay active, eat light, and drink a glass of wine each
- 8 day; therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 10 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 11 congratulate Chester Grzybowski on his 105th birthday and we
- wish him many more wonderful years; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 14 presented to Chester Grzybowski as a symbol of our respect and
- 15 esteem.