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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, With the period of September 15 through October  
3 15 designated as Hispanic Heritage Month, the members of the  
4 Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Chef  
5 Atzimba Perez on her distinguished career as a chef and as a  
6 community advocate; and

7           WHEREAS, Atzimba Perez is an entrepreneur, a founder, a  
8 business owner, and a philanthropist with over 25 years of  
9 experience in the culinary arts industry; and

10           WHEREAS, Atzimba Perez studied hospitality and gastronomy  
11 at Colegio Nacional de Educación Profesional Técnica in  
12 Mexico; and

13           WHEREAS, In Mexico, Atzimba Perez owned and operated a  
14 successful catering business that she had to leave behind when  
15 she moved to the United States in 1996; and

16           WHEREAS, Once stateside, Atzimba Perez began working as a  
17 server in many hotels and traditional institutions, including  
18 the Union League Club; and

19           WHEREAS, Through hard work and an inquisitive nature along  
20 with the support of other chefs who valued her talent, Atzimba

1 Perez was able to establish and develop her current business  
2 in the U.S., Atzimba Catering and Events; and

3 WHEREAS, Through Atzimba Catering and Events, Atzimba  
4 Perez has brought pre-Hispanic, traditional Mexican cuisine to  
5 Chicago, offering a wide variety of dishes that showcase her  
6 extensive knowledge of and passion for the culinary arts; and

7 WHEREAS, During her culinary career, Atzimba Perez has had  
8 the opportunity to cook for many notable individuals,  
9 including U.S. Representative Chuy García and the Mexican  
10 pop-rock band Maná; she has also participated in multiple  
11 events, such as the Chicago Sueños Music Festival and Pilsen  
12 Gourmet; and

13 WHEREAS, Atzimba Perez has collaborated with numerous  
14 chefs highly recognized in the culinary field; additionally,  
15 she has given several interviews, and her work has been  
16 featured on a number of shows and programs, including the  
17 six-episode series No Passport Required broadcast on PBS WTTW  
18 Chicago; and

19 WHEREAS, Atzimba Perez is known for her philanthropic  
20 spirit and has volunteered for the American Heart Association,  
21 Latinos Unidos por la Salud, the American Liver Foundation,  
22 and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Chicago;

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
3 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
4 we congratulate Chef Atzimba Perez on her accomplishments as a  
5 chef and as a community advocate; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That we congratulates Atzimba Perez on becoming  
7 a legal resident of the United States; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
9 presented to Atzimba Perez as a symbol of our esteem and  
10 respect.