



HR0518

LRB098 12795 GRL 47282 r

1

HOUSE RESOLUTION

2

WHEREAS, Fiesta del Sol is the largest Latino festival in  
3 the Midwest; and

4

WHEREAS, Fiesta del Sol is an admission-free event,  
5 bringing patrons, sponsors, and vendors from across the nation;  
6 it has an art and culture pavilion, a children's area, an  
7 immigration booth, educational offerings, entertainment, a  
8 health booth, and the Copa Fiesta del Sol; and

9

10

WHEREAS, Fiesta del Sol is organized by the Pilsen  
Neighbors Community Council, with the funds from the festival  
11 designated for community organizing, an ACT Prep Program,  
12 educational scholarships, a legal clinic, an education summit,  
13 and a university round table; and

14

15

16

17

18

19

WHEREAS, The Pilsen Neighbors Community Council, founded  
in 1954, is a non-profit organization located in the heart of  
Pilsen and Fiesta del Sol is the Pilsen Neighbors Community  
Council's primary fundraising event to underwrite its  
community organizing and service programming throughout the  
year; and

20

21

WHEREAS, The Fiesta del Sol Guadalupe A. Reyes Scholarship  
Program has celebrated over a decade of awarding scholarships

1 to students from the Southwest side of the city and beyond; and

2 WHEREAS, The Scholarship Program offers students \$1,500  
3 for college expenses and has given \$700,000 to over 450  
4 students; and

5 WHEREAS, Fiesta del Sol draws over 1 million visitors  
6 during the 4-day event, which, in 2013, will be held on July  
7 25-28 in the neighborhood of Pilsen in Chicago; therefore, be  
8 it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
10 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
11 we recognize and honor the 41st anniversary of Fiesta del Sol;  
12 and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to the Pilsen Neighbors Community Council as a symbol  
15 of our respect and esteem.