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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to recognize Tony Passero for his generous commitment to the transformation and enrichment of areas in the City of Chicago through his public artwork; and

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WHEREAS, Tony Passero was born in Chicago and grew up on the city's North side with his mother, father, and younger sister; he attended the Chicago public grade school, Scammon, and the Catholic high school, Gordon Technical; a self-taught artist, he never attended art school or received formal training; and

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WHEREAS, Tony Passero founded the TribeAgency, an advertising agency based out of Chicago; he is the lead creative director and CEO; he is also a celebrated graphic designer and has created work for many companies, including Dreamworks, Sony Music, Manchester United, Sears, and Taco Bell; and

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WHEREAS, Tony Passero has contributed to numerous worldwide charities and countless local benevolences, such as the AIDSWalk, Chicago Gateway Green, Chicago Fire Foundation, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, and United Way; he is a chair on the boards of several charities and community organizations,

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1 including Arts Alive Chicago, Alderman's Arts Advisory
2 Committee, Independence Park Advisory Council, Foundation For
3 A Better Life, and the Northwest Arts Connection; and

4 WHEREAS, Tony Passero envisions possibilities where others
5 see filthy expressway viaducts or bleak train station walls; he
6 notes places in the city that could use a transformation and
7 improves the area by creating public art in the form of murals;
8 the majority of his city mural work is self-funded; he donates
9 his time and ideas, and also files appropriate paperwork with
10 aldermen and transportation officials while building bridges
11 with community members; and

12 WHEREAS, Tony Passero has conceived and painted his own
13 murals at various locations in Chicago, including the Whoot
14 Mural on Belmont Avenue, the Manifest Mural at the Pulaski Blue
15 Line exit, the CrossCuts Mural at the Addison Kennedy
16 Expressway Exit, the Positive Babel Mural at the Irving Park
17 Metra Station, the Jumbo Jet Mural along the Kennedy
18 Expressway, the Spin Cycles at 6 Corners Shopping District; the
19 Colorribean Mural on Case Avenue, ad the Hep Cat Mural on
20 Cicero Avenue; he also participated as one of the lead artists
21 on the Addison and Avondale Mural and Police Memorial Mural on
22 Montrose; therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE

1 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
2 recognize Tony Passero on his generous and inspiring
3 contributions to the betterment of neighborhoods in the City of
4 Chicago and the lives of his fellow Chicagoans, and we
5 encourage him to continue envisioning possibilities; and be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to Tony Passero as an expression of our esteem and
9 respect.