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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to recognize the 2017 Day of the Dead 4 celebration in Aurora on November 5, 2017; and

5 WHEREAS, The Day of the Dead is a holiday celebrated 6 throughout Mexico, in particular the central and south regions; 7 it is also celebrated by people of Mexican ancestry living in 8 other places, especially the United States; the multi-day 9 holiday focuses on gatherings of family and friends to pray for 10 and remember friends and family members who have died and help 11 support their spiritual journey; and

12 WHEREAS, The Day of the Dead celebration in Aurora began in 13 2012 as a way to remember loved ones who had passed throughout 14 the years; participants honor their loved ones' lives while 15 indulging in their favorite foods, drinks, music, and 16 achievements; and

WHEREAS, The goal of the Day of the Dead celebration in Aurora is for families in the area to learn about cultures, traditions, and perspectives on life and death; and

20 WHEREAS, The Aurora community plays a crucial role in this 21 celebration, bringing together participants of all skill HR0621 -2- LRB100 13745 MST 28459 r levels, ethnicities, ages, and backgrounds and helps provide opportunities for all residents to achieve a common goal; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 5 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 6 recognize the 2017 Day of the Dead celebration in Aurora on 7 November 5, 2017; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 9 presented to the organizers of this year's celebration.