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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives would like to recognize the workers of the
4 restaurant and food service industry for their tireless
5 efforts during the past year and a half during the COVID-19
6 Pandemic; and

7 WHEREAS, 2020 and 2021 have presented a very difficult set
8 of challenges for those who work in the restaurant and food
9 service industry; and

10 WHEREAS, Many restaurants have had to shut their doors to
11 the general public and send their dedicated workers home
12 without the chance of getting a paycheck; and

13 WHEREAS, Restaurants and food service has had to adapt to
14 the situation and adopt new ways to make their food available
15 for carry out and delivery; these changes left those who work
16 as hosts, hostesses, waiters, and waitresses without a means
17 to earn a paycheck from their place of business; and

18 WHEREAS, With an ever-increasing number of people being
19 vaccinated, things are starting to improve, and restaurants
20 and food services are starting to open their doors to the
21 general public to allow people to eat inside; and

1 WHEREAS, The problem that restaurants and food service now
2 face is not the lack of customers but rather the lack of
3 workers to operate their businesses; and

4 WHEREAS, Restaurants and food services in Illinois and
5 across the country are facing a staffing shortage crisis that
6 impacts every level of their industry; and

7 WHEREAS, Without proper staffing, restaurants and food
8 services are overwhelmed with orders and customers, resulting
9 in a delay in product output to match the customer volume; and

10 WHEREAS, Acknowledging the difficult times our service
11 industry faces and practicing patience when going to a
12 restaurant will ease the transition back to normal; therefore,
13 be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
15 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
16 we declare the week of May 10 to 14, 2021 as "Restaurant Worker
17 Appreciation Week" in the State of Illinois to recognize those
18 workers who have been working since the very first day of the
19 pandemic and those who continue to work through the
20 difficulties of understaffing.