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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to recognize James Mathew of Hinsdale on 4 being selected as one of the top youth volunteers in Illinois 5 for 2017; and
- WHEREAS, James Mathew was selected as part of the 22nd annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards; and
 - WHEREAS, James Mathew is a senior at Hinsdale Central High School; he is the co-creator of "Got Food?", a mobile app designed to fight food insecurity by helping people in need, and those who serve them, locate nearby food pantries and other resources in 14 states; he is a junior director of development at his local food pantry, and was inspired to create the app after learning how many clients were struggling to connect with food charities because they did not know the hours and locations; and
- 17 WHEREAS, The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards
 18 represents the largest youth recognition program based solely
 19 on volunteer service in the United States; all public and
 20 private middle schools and high schools in the country, as well
 21 as all Girl Scout councils, county 4-H organizations, American
 22 Red Cross chapters, YMCAs, and HandsOn Network affiliates, were

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- 1 eligible to select a student or member for a local Prudential
- 2 Spirit of Community Award; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Students like James Mathew represent the best of
- 4 America's youth and are role models to their peers and
- 5 communities; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 7 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 8 recognize James Mathew on being selected as one of the top
- 9 youth volunteers in Illinois for 2017; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to James Mathew as an expression of our esteem and
- 12 respect.