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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to recognize the Thompson Karate Foundation Academy and Dr. Cynthia Thompson; and

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WHEREAS, The Thompson Karate Foundation Academy was founded in 1991 and offers all students martial arts training as well as after school tutoring and mentoring; students learn the discipline of the martial arts, travel to local, national and international tournaments and participate in several community service projects that are related to developing self-respect, self-discipline, and academic success; they have two foundations that award college scholarships and also serve as a court appointed community service organization; and

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WHEREAS, The Thompson Karate Foundation Academy is funded completely by Dr. Cynthia Thompson and Master Jean Thigpen; funding covers all student expenses for competitions, assuring that every student will have an opportunity to represent their community world-wide; and

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WHEREAS, The Thompson Karate Foundation Academy supports the Girls-N-Gi's All Female Martial Arts College Scholarship Tournament, the Girls-N-Gi's Pageant, Kick the Streets Martial Arts, Kick the Streets Mission, educational benefits, Court

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1 Appointed Community Service Organization Markham Juvenile
2 Probation, community service and mentoring, Kick the Street
3 Martial Arts male scholarships, and the Chicagoland Black Belt
4 Martial Arts Association Organization; and

5 WHEREAS, Previously, the Thompson Karate Foundation
6 Academy has supported the Cynthia L. Thompson Academic
7 Scholarship, the Chicago Police Department and Chicago Public
8 Schools "We Care" Role Model Program, the Roseland Community
9 Youth Volunteer, Chicago State University Academic
10 Scholarships, and the University of Illinois Principal's
11 Summer Institute Scholarships; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
13 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
14 recognize the Thompson Karate Foundation Academy and Dr.
15 Cynthia Thompson, and we wish them many more years of success;
16 and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the Thompson Karate Foundation Academy as a symbol
19 of our respect and esteem.