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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to recognize Angela McQueen and her act of 4 heroism that took place at Mattoon High School on the morning 5 of September 20, 2017; and

WHEREAS, As a student gunman opened fire inside the cafeteria at Mattoon High school, fired multiple shots into a crowd of students, and wounded one classmate, Angela McQueen tackled the gunman as he continued to fire shots into the ceiling; she held him down until the school resource officer arrived and took him into custody; after the shooting, she checked on and comforted other students; and

WHEREAS, Angela McQueen is an Illinois Native and graduated from Marshall High School, where she was a standout basketball player; she attended Eastern Illinois University, where she earned a Bachelor's Degree in Mathematics and Physical Education and her Master's Degree in Education Administration; and

WHEREAS, Angela McQueen became a teacher because she wanted to make the world a better place; she has taught math and physical education at Mattoon High School for over a decade; she was part of a group of school staff members who started the

- 1 B.I.O.N.I.C. (Believe it or not I Care) program at the school,
- 2 which is sponsored by the local Rotary Club, and is a
- 3 service-learning program aimed at creating stronger
- 4 communities; she has also been part of the grief team at the
- 5 high school; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Lives were saved because of Angela McQueen's quick
- 7 response, courageous actions, and dedication to the safety of
- 8 her students; therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 10 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 11 recognize and show our sincere gratitude for the heroic action
- taken by Angela McQueen; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 14 presented to Angela McQueen as an expression of our esteem and
- 15 respect.