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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate Dr. Terry L. Miller on receiving the 2019 Rural Physician of Excellence Award from the Illinois Rural Health Association; and

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WHEREAS, One of the biggest healthcare challenges across our nation is the shortage of physicians who practice in rural settings, especially with the high percentage of older adults living in rural America and small towns; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Miller graduated from the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine in 1989; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Miller completed his residency in family practice at the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford in 1992; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Miller is a veteran and served our county for over 14 years in the U.S. Army, both on active duty where he spent part of his time in Honduras and in the Reserve; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Miller's began his professional career in the rural health arena with FHN Memorial Hospital in 1992 and has continued to serve patients in the region for the past 26

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1 years; and

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Miller is extremely committed to ensuring the
3 upmost quality of care to veterans and volunteers, acting as
4 the physician for any newly admitted veterans at the area's
5 local nursing home; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Miller is always a phone call away and often
7 makes his rounds seven days a week; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. Miller's commitment to the community extends
9 beyond medicine; he has been an active Boy Scout Leader for
10 over 20 years, often holding the meetings in the clinic's lobby
11 and spending part of his summer vacation as a volunteer
12 physician at the National Boy Scout Jamboree; and

13 WHEREAS, While Dr. Miller's hectic schedule may not allow
14 him to go on a jungle safari, one of his favorite activities is
15 being able to spend time at the zoo with his family; therefore,
16 be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
18 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
19 we congratulate Dr. Terry L. Miller on receiving the 2019 Rural
20 Physician of Excellence Award and commend him for his
21 compassion and dedication to his patients and for filling such

1 a tremendous void in rural medicine over the past 26 years; and
2 be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to Dr. Miller as a symbol of our respect esteem.