



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to recognize the Kankakee County Center
4 Against Sexual Assault, an advocate for the rights of sexual
5 assault victims in Kankakee County for nearly two decades; and

6 WHEREAS, In that time, the Center has worked diligently
7 with area hospitals, schools and law enforcement agencies to
8 identify and assist victims of sexual abuse; and

9 WHEREAS, The Center is a place where victims can go to
10 receive the support and reassurance they need to begin piecing
11 their lives back together; and

12 WHEREAS, Everyday, counselors at the Center listen
13 compassionately as children and adults deal with the mental and
14 emotional trauma of sexual abuse; and

15 WHEREAS, The Center's legal advocates pursue over 135
16 sexual abuse cases a year, balancing their time between the
17 court system and the lives affected by that system; and

18 WHEREAS, Throughout the year, community educators visit
19 local schools, churches, clubs and organizations to
20 sensitively provide prevention education to over 15,000
21 children and adults; and

22 WHEREAS, The Center's hard-working, passionate, and
23 dedicated staff has brought hope back to the lives of countless
24 victims and their families; therefore, be it

25 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
26 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
27 honor the achievements of the Kankakee County Center Against
28 Sexual Assault and congratulate the staff on the opening of its

1 new headquarters; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to the Director of the Kankakee County Center Against
4 Sexual Assault as a token of our respect and esteem.