



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Todd Hamilton recently won the 133rd British Open
3 Championship and claimed the claret jug in a four-hole
4 aggregate playoff by defeating Ernie Els; and

5 WHEREAS, Todd Hamilton grew up in Oquawka, where he learned
6 to golf on a nine-hole course, Hend-Co Hills, and in 1981 and
7 1982 won the Illinois Class A High School Golf Championship for
8 Union High School; and

9 WHEREAS, Todd Hamilton went on to play college golf at the
10 University of Oklahoma, where he was a first-team All-American
11 in 1987; and

12 WHEREAS, Todd Hamilton married his Union High School
13 sweetheart, Jaque, and they have three children, Tyler (6),
14 Kaylee (4), and Drake (1); and

15 WHEREAS, After eight trips through the PGA Tour's
16 Qualifying Tournament, five years on the Asian Tour, and 12
17 years on the Japan Tour, Todd Hamilton finally made it to the
18 PGA tour; and

19 WHEREAS, Todd Hamilton became a "rookie" on the PGA Tour
20 this year at the age of 38, then won the Honda Classic in
21 March; therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
23 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
24 recognize Todd Hamilton and his great accomplishment of winning
25 the British Open, and we wish him well on the PGA Tour and
26 future accomplishments; and be it further

27 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
28 presented to Todd Hamilton as a token of our admiration.