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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois are pleased to recognize Giant Steps Illinois as they celebrate the 10th anniversary of their annual benefit dinner and auction on Sunday October 8th, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Giant Steps Illinois was founded in 1998 by Debra K. Nauman and other dedicated parents searching for alternative education and therapeutic services for their children with autism spectrum disorders; Giant Steps Illinois is part of an international network of schools founded in 1981 in Montreal, Canada; and

WHEREAS, Giant Steps Illinois is a non-public therapeutic day school for children with autism spectrum disorders; Giant Steps Illinois provides educational and therapeutic services to enable children with autism to achieve their maximum potential including such services as academic instruction, one-on-one programs, speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, music therapy, computer instruction, and home support; and

WHEREAS, Giant Steps Illinois and its director Nicole Allgood will hold their annual dinner and auction to help raise funds to continue to provide the assistance that their organization has become known for; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize Giant Steps Illinois on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of their annual benefit and dinner auction; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Giant Steps Illinois as an expression of our

1 esteem.