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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to honor Beverly A. Hardway Johnson for her years of service to others; and

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WHEREAS, She spends two to four hours every Friday with 15 to 25 residents at Heather Manor Nursing Home in Harvey, sharing the Bible, receiving decisions for individuals accepting Jesus Christ as their Savior, conducting Pokeno games, conducting one or two raffles for non-players, and bringing flowers and treats; and

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WHEREAS, She celebrated her 73rd birthday on October 12, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, In addition, she drives the church van for her church, The King's Community Church in South Holland; she helps seniors, in need, running errands, providing transportation, and helping with paper work; and

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WHEREAS, She is a graduate of Thornton Township High School and received a B.S. Degree in Commerce (Business Administration) from Roosevelt University in Chicago; she worked in the corporate world from 1956 to 1962; and she wrote lyrics to a song entitled, "Forgive", recorded by the Mercury

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1 Label in 1959; and

2 WHEREAS, She attended Manhattan Bible Institute in New York
3 City and was ordained a Missionary-Evangelist by the late
4 Arturo Skinner of Deliverance Ministries; she taught
5 elementary school and adult evening school in Atlanta, Georgia
6 from 1962 to 1964; she taught at Emerson Elementary School in
7 Harvey from 1967 to 1979; she owned and operated a neighborhood
8 food store, Sister Beverly's Foods in Harvey from 1974 to 1997;
9 and she registered over 60 people to vote in the last
10 presidential election; and

11 WHEREAS, She married Arbyle Johnson on August 8, 1967 and
12 together they have a daughter, Lovely Joslyn; Beverly Johnson
13 is presently employed with Harvey-Dixmoor School District 147,
14 as an eighth grade math teacher at Rosa L. Parks Middle School;
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
17 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
18 honor Beverly A. Hardeway Johnson for all her work with the
19 community and her dedication to others; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to Beverly Hardeway Johnson as a symbol of our
22 respect and esteem.