HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate the Sterling All Stars 11 and 12 year old girls softball team on winning the 2011 Little League World Series; and

WHEREAS, The All Stars were down 3 to nothing against Midway, the tough team from Waco, Texas, when the players found fire in their bats, scoring 7 runs in the third inning; Hannah Escamilla opened the inning with a single and closed the scoring with a 2 run double; Nadia Trujillo, Emily Berogan, Kylie Burkett, and Erin Stroup each drove in a run with base hits, enough to keep the lead and end the game with a score of 7-5; and

WHEREAS, Lexy Staples shut down the 11-time championship Waco team, allowing 7 hits and striking out 2 in 5 1/3 innings, finishing the World Series with a 4-0 record; Cheyenne Harrington got the final 2 outs of the game, earning her first save; and

WHEREAS, Sterling outscored its opponents 58-9 in 6 World Series games, including a $2-0$ victory over Waco in the opening game; and

WHEREAS, This is only the second time that an Illinois team has won the national title; and

WHEREAS, The coaches for the Sterling All Stars are Eric Staples, Ed Long, and Pete Trujillo; and

WHEREAS, The members of the team are: Cheyenne Harrington, Emily Berogan, Kylie Burkett, Nadia Trujillo, Hannah Escamilla, Abrianna Hale, Alexis Staples, and Mya Pearson; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Sterling All Stars on their outstanding season and on winning the title of World Series Champions; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the players and coaches of the Sterling All Stars as a symbol of our respect and esteem.

