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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Michele Clancy as 4 she steps down from her leadership positions at Stroke 5 Survivors Empowering Each Other Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Michele Clancy is a stroke-survivor who suffered a stroke on the morning of her 19th wedding anniversary; now married for 35 years to Tom Clancy, helping stroke survivors became and remains her passion; and

WHEREAS, Michele Clancy has an extensive volunteer history; from 2004 to the present she has been with Stroke Survivors Empowering Each Other Inc., whose mission is to improve the quality of life for current and future stoke survivors by building community, providing education, focusing on policies related to stroke, and giving a voice to stroke survivors and other key constituents; she is the organization's co-founder, president, treasurer, and serves on the board; she collaborated with the American Hearth Association to assist with State legislation for Primary Stroke Center guidelines; and

WHEREAS, Michele Clancy has also volunteered with the American Heart Association Illinois Advocacy Board from

- 1 2001-present, participating in the Illinois State Stroke Lobby
- 2 Day in 2006 and the Federal Heart and Stroke Lobby Day in 2008;
- 3 she has volunteered with the Illinois State Stroke Task Force
- 4 from 2010-present, the Illinois Disability and Health Program
- from 2012-present, and the Sharp Rehabilitation Center in San
- 6 Diego, California, from 1998-2000; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Michele Clancy brought a great deal of
- 8 professional experience to her volunteerism; from 2001-2006
- 9 she worked for the Target Corporation in Minneapolis,
- 10 Minnesota, as a pharmacy technician; from 1988-1999 she worked
- 11 for Biosite Diagnostics Inc. in San Diego, California, as an
- 12 animal health technician/vivarium technician and a research
- 13 associate, and from 1987-1988 she worked for the Carmel
- 14 Mountain Animal Hospital/Mesa Community College in San Diego,
- 15 California, as a veterinary assistant/animal health technician
- 16 intern; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Michele Clancy holds a bachelors of science in
- 18 business administration with a concentration in industrial
- 19 relations from Winona State University in Winona, Minnesota;
- 20 and
- 21 WHEREAS, Michele Clancy has received the Eagle Spirit Award
- in May 2000 from the Sharp Rehabilitation Center for overcoming
- 23 adversities after experiencing a stroke and for offering

- 1 positive assistance to other stroke survivors, and the American
- 2 Heart & Stroke Hero award in May 2006 from the American Heart
- 3 Association-Midwest Affiliate in Chicago for championing the
- 4 needs of fellow stroke survivors and helping create stroke
- 5 awareness; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 7 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 8 we congratulate Michele Clancy as she steps down from her
- 9 leadership positions at Stroke Survivors Empowering Each
- 10 Other, Inc., thank her for her commitment to aiding and
- improving the lives of stroke survivors, and we wish her well
- in all her future endeavours; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 14 presented to Michel Clancy as an expression of our esteem and
- 15 respect.