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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Madeline Hoskins-Cumbey
4 of Oswego for being named one of the top 2 youth volunteers in
5 Illinois for 2015 in the Prudential Spirit of Community Award
6 program; and

7 WHEREAS, The Prudential Spirit of Community Award,
8 presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the
9 National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors
10 young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an
11 extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

12 WHEREAS, Madeline Hoskins-Cumbey earned this award by
13 giving generously of her time and energy to found a non-profit
14 organization with her younger brother, "SMART2bfit", that
15 seeks to engage young people in promoting healthy eating,
16 accessible clean water, and other essentials for healthy
17 living; Madeline Hoskins-Cumbey's family has a history of poor
18 health, so she learned early on the fundamentals of a healthy
19 lifestyle; wanting to share this knowledge with others, she
20 started an after-school club that taught 30 kids about
21 nutrition, hydration, and healthy habits; the members of the
22 club then planted an organic garden at their school with a
23 grant won by Madeline Hoskins-Cumbey; and

1 WHEREAS, Clubs and gardens continue to be a major part of
2 Madeline Hoskins-Cumbey's "SMART2bfit" program; she and her
3 brother organize clubs and camps to teach kids how to be
4 healthy through various fun physical activities, such as
5 cooking and gardening; they have sponsored 5 youth-run gardens
6 that have raised thousands of pounds of fresh, organic produce
7 for local food banks; they have also organized community walks
8 that educate participants about the global water crisis while
9 raising money to build wells and water tanks in Africa; and

10 WHEREAS, As a State Honoree, Madeline Hoskins-Cumbey
11 received a \$1,000 award, an engraved silver medallion, and a
12 trip to Washington, D.C. on May 2-5, 2015 during a series of
13 national recognition events; and

14 WHEREAS, The success of the State of Illinois, the strength
15 of our communities, and the overall vitality of American
16 society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young
17 people like Madeline Hoskins-Cumbey, who use their
18 considerable talents and resources to serve others; therefore,
19 be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
21 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
22 congratulate and honor Madeline Hoskins-Cumbey for being named

1 one of the top 2 youth volunteers in Illinois for 2015 in the
2 Prudential Spirit of Community Award program; recognize her
3 outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership, and
4 community spirit; and extend our best wishes for her continued
5 success and happiness in the future; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to Madeline Hoskins-Cumbey as a symbol of our respect
8 and esteem.