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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives recognize young children as one of the State's 4 most precious and valuable resources; and

5 WHEREAS, The National Association for the Education of 6 Young Children is the nation's largest early childhood 7 organization; the association seeks to serve and act on behalf 8 of the rights, needs, and well-being of all young children, 9 with a primary focus on the provision of educational and 10 developmental needs and services; and

11 WHEREAS, The Illinois Association for the Education of 12 Young Children (ILAEYC) is the State affiliate of the National 13 Association for the Education of Young Children; ILAEYC has 14 over 2,500 members and 17 local affiliate chapters around the 15 State dedicated to the same mission; and

16 WHEREAS, The National Association for the Education of 17 Young Children has designated the week of April 10-17 as the 18 Week of the Young Child; the month of April is designated as 19 Month of the Young Child in the State of Illinois; and

20 WHEREAS, The purpose of the Month of the Young Child is to 21 focus public attention on the needs of young children and their HR1134 -2- LRB099 21118 GRL 46374 r 1 families and to recognize the individuals, early childhood 2 programs, and services that are dedicated to meeting those 3 needs; and

WHEREAS, There are members of the organization, such as teachers, program directors, school administrators, agency personnel, college faculty, and others, who continually go above and beyond what is expected to see that these needs are met; and

9 WHEREAS, These individuals are considered to be true 10 Children's Champions, who go further than anyone else to make a 11 positive difference to the lives of children everywhere; and

12 WHEREAS, The actions of Jacqueline W. Farber, East Central 13 Illinois AEYC (Camargo); Melanie Fleming, Heart of Illinois 14 AEYC, (Groveland); Catherine Melear, Quad Cities AEYC (Moline); and Danyle Watkins, Capitol Area AEYC (Springfield); 15 16 represent shining examples of those in our communities doing 17 good things for children; these individuals have been nominated 18 by their local affiliate chapters and designated by the 19 Illinois Association for the Education of Young Children as 20 Illinois 2016 Children's Champions; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we

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4 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be 5 presented to each of the Illinois 2016 Children's Champions in 6 recognition of their efforts.