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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Betsy Coulture of Elgin on 4 being named the 2016 Altrusa Woman of the Year; and

5 WHEREAS, The local Altrusa Woman of the Year Award began in
6 1950 when Harriet Armstrong was recognized as the first
7 recipient; since then, a long line of dedicated, local women
8 have been honored for their volunteer service to the greater
9 Elgin area community; Altrusa International of Elgin, Illinois
10 Inc., founded in 1936, is an international service organization
11 comprised of executive and professional women; and

WHEREAS, Betsy Coulture has been actively involved in a variety of Elgin organizations, including the Elgin Community Network, the Northeast Neighbors Association, where she served as President, and the Elgin Historic Preservation Commission; she has been an active member of Admirers of Beautiful Old Dwelling in Elgin, a docent with the Gifford Park Association's Historic House Tour, and a volunteer with the Downtown Neighborhood Association, the Elgin Fourth of July Parade, the Elgin Fox Trot, and the Community Thanksgiving Dinner; and

WHEREAS, In 2012, Betsy Coulture received the "Women of Grace & Dignity" True Grit award honoring "Women in the

- 1 Workplace"; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Betsy Coulture is a familiar smiling face at
- 3 Paul's Family Restaurant in Elgin, where she is a well-known
- 4 and beloved server on the early morning shift; she attends
- 5 First Congregational Church of Elgin and enjoys gardening; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Betsy Coulture has two sons, Brandon and David; a
- daughter-in-law, Kelly; and one grandson, Carter "Peanut"; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Betsy Coulture will be honored at the 67th annual
- 9 Woman of the Year Recognition Dinner on May 19, 2016 at Villa
- 10 Olivia Country Club in Bartlett; therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 12 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- congratulate Betsy Coulture on being named the 2016 Altrusa
- Woman of the Year; and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 16 presented to Betsy Coulture as an expression of our esteem and
- 17 respect.