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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Dr. Gregg Davis for 4 receiving the "2016 Rural Physician of Excellence Award" from 5 the Illinois Rural Health Association; and

6 WHEREAS, One of the biggest healthcare challenges across 7 our nation is the shortage of physicians who practice in rural 8 areas; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1978, Dr. Gregg Davis graduated from the 10 University of Illinois College of Medicine in Peoria; he went 11 on to complete his residency in 1981 at the Rockford Medical 12 Education Foundation and completed his Master of Business 13 Administration in 1981 from the University of Massachusetts 14 Isenberg School of Management; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Gregg Davis has vast practice experience in 16 adult medicine, geriatrics, pediatrics, orthopedics 17 obstetrics, emergency medicine, and industrial medicine; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Gregg Davis serves patients at St. Margaret's 19 Hospital in Spring Valley and at Perry Memorial Hospital in 20 Princeton, where he started in 1981 and currently serves as CEO 21 and President; he has treated generations of local families in HR1436 -2- LRB099 23548 GRL 51053 r
private practice through both Princeton Family Physicians and
Gregg E. Davis, M.D., LLD since 1981; and

3 WHEREAS, Family medicine is a "family affair" at the Davis 4 household, with his wife Renee working alongside him as a nurse 5 and the practice set up as an extension of their home; and

6 WHEREAS, Since 2011, Dr. Gregg Davis has been an active 7 member of the Bureau County Board of Public Health, which has 8 expanded to serve residents of both Putnam and Marshall 9 Counties; and

10 WHEREAS, Due to his excellent clinical and business 11 management skills, Dr. Gregg Davis was asked in 2014 to serve 12 as Chief Medical Officer for the Illinois Rural Community Care 13 Organization, a newly-formed Accountable Care Organization 14 comprised of 21 critical access hospitals; and

15 WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Dr. Gregg Davis, the Illinois Rural Community Care Organization has established 16 medical working groups comprised of physicians and nurse 17 18 practitioners developing the best working protocols for 19 diabetes, congestive heart failure, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease for rural communities; he also developed a 20 21 Medicare medical well visit template which is now in widespread 22 use keeping seniors healthier; and

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1 WHEREAS, Dr. Gregg Davis is responsible for the Illinois 2 Rural Community Care Organization being the catalyst for a 3 better rural healthcare system statewide; he and his wife are 4 dedicated to serving their community, creating an invaluable 5 asset to the residents of Bureau County; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 7 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 8 commend Dr. Gregg Davis for his selfless service and the impact 9 he has made on improving rural health; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 11 presented to Dr. Gregg Davis as a symbol of our respect and 12 esteem.