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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Brad Vinyard on earning a 4 bronze medal at the World's Strongest Disabled Man competition 5 in Norway on September 8, 2018; and 6 WHEREAS, 22 years ago, Brad Vinyard, a three-sport senior 7 athlete Harrisburg High School was diagnosed with at 8 osteosarcoma; this led to a knee replacement and then a leg 9 amputation; and 10 WHEREAS, Brad Vinyard did not let his diagnosis or his disability slow him down and maintained a continued dedication 11 12 to competitive sports; and 13 WHEREAS, Brad Vinyard's reasons for competing have never 14 been about trophies, medals, or awards; he desires to motivate those who might be struggling with a difficulty in their lives; 15 16 and 17 WHEREAS, After a few weeks to recover, Brad Vinyard will be 18 back in the gym prepping for his next event; therefore, be it 19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE

HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we

- 1 congratulate Brad Vinyard on earning a bronze medal at the
- 2 World's Strongest Disabled Man competition and wish him the
- 3 best in all his future endeavors; and be it further
- 4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 5 presented to Brad Vinyard as an expression of our esteem and
- 6 respect.