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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
 Representatives wish to congratulate Edward Hospital and
 DuPage Neonatology Associates on caring for their 2,000th set
 of multiples; and
- WHEREAS, Since July 1, 1996, when DuPage Neonatology
 Associates began its service agreement with Edward Hospital to
 provide care for Edward Hospital's smallest patients, 2,000
 sets of multiples have been cared for at Edward Hospital; and
- WHEREAS, The 2,000th set of multiples arrived on Saturday,
 September, 15, 2018, when Sarah Esche-Lange and Erik Lange gave
 birth to twins, Madison Josephine Lange (5 lbs., 5 oz., 18
 inches) at 2:19 a.m. and Dylan Jeremiah Lange (5 lbs., 2 oz.,
 14 18-1/4 inches) at 2:20 a.m.; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Since 1996, 1,931 sets of twins, 64 sets of 16 triplets, four sets of quadruplets, and one set of quintuplets 17 have been born at Edward Hospital; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Pregnancies and births involving multiples have 19 higher occurrences of complications, and Edward Hospital has 20 taken extra steps to better serve this population; and

WHEREAS, Because of prematurity and other risks, mothers with multiples are nearly always monitored at Edward Hospital by Maternal Fetal Medicine (MFM) until delivery; MFM is comprehensive care for women who are involved in or have the potential for high-risk pregnancies; and

WHEREAS, Fifty percent of twins and virtually all triplets and higher are born "preterm", earlier than 37 weeks and likely to need Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU) services; DuPage Neonatology Care provides specialized multiples care, including treatment of Twin-to-Twin Transfusion Syndrome (TTTS), mono-mono cord entanglement twins, and higher order multiples, meaning three or more babies; and

WHEREAS, Edward Hospital established a Level III NICU, the State's current highest status, in 2000; the NICU is capable of treating the tiniest, sickest, and most fragile of newborns and was the first in DuPage County; Dr. Bob Covert has served as medical director of the NICU since 1997; and

WHEREAS, In 2017, to continue to serve the needs of the community, the NICU expanded to 35 private rooms for neonates, including 22 intensive care beds which provide parents with space, comfort, and privacy for treatment and consultation with doctors and nurses; the private rooms are 200 square feet each and have the latest in high-tech equipment for close monitoring

- of newborns by nurses and doctors, computers and Internet
- 2 access, light/temperature controls, two oversized chairs for
- 3 parents (one which can be used as a bed), a refrigerator for
- 4 breast milk, closets, and natural light; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The first set of quintuplets born in DuPage County
- 6 were born to the Horton family in 2004; the four surviving
- 7 newborns, Caitlynn, Coira, Lachlan, and Porter gained national
- 8 attention following their birth as their father, Josh, was
- 9 severely wounded while serving in the United States Marine
- 10 Corps in Iraq; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The first set of quadruplets born in DuPage County
- were born to the Crommets family in 2001; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The Medrano quadruplets, Alexander, Alessandro,
- Michael, and Ysabell, born in 2006, were conceived naturally,
- 15 without fertility drugs or treatment; the odds of having
- 16 natural or spontaneous quadruplets are estimated to be one in
- 17 512,000; therefore, be it
- 18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 19 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 20 congratulate Edward Hospital and DuPage Neonatology Associates
- on the 2,000th set of multiples under their care, and we wish
- them many more healthy multiple deliveries; and be it further

- 1 RESOLVED, That we congratulate all 2,000 families on the
- 2 births of their multiple miracles; and be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 4 presented to Edward Hospital and DuPage Neonatology Associates
- 5 as a symbol of our respect and esteem.