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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives would like to commend Mary Nell Chew of Carbondale for her generous donation of \$83,000 to fund an Honor Flight, giving approximately 85 veterans an opportunity to see the memorials and sights of Washington D.C.; and

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WHEREAS, While Mary Nell Chew is not a veteran herself, she has six veterans in her family and wanted to honor those who served our nation by giving them an opportunity they would never forget; and

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WHEREAS, Mary Nell Chew had applied to be a guardian with the Veterans Honor Flight of Southern Illinois but was denied due to being "too old"; instead, she presented the organization with an \$83,000 check, which helped many veterans experience their first Honor Flight; and

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WHEREAS, Mary Nell Chew's donation funded the fifth Honor Flight for the Veterans Honor Flight of Southern Illinois; it departed on May 14, 2019 with more veterans onboard than any other previous flight; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that

1 we commend Mary Nell Chew for her generous donation and
2 eagerness to honor those who have served our nation, and we
3 hope all of the veterans on this Honor Flight had a fantastic
4 day in Washington D.C.; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to Mary Nell Chew as a symbol of our respect and
7 esteem.