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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Each year sudden cardiac arrest claims the lives 3 of more than 300,000 Americans outside of the hospital; it 4 strikes people of all levels of fitness, and it usually strikes 5 without warning; and

6 WHEREAS, In many cases, sudden cardiac arrest is caused by 7 an abnormal heart rhythm called ventricular fibrillation that 8 prevents the heart from pumping blood; and

9 WHEREAS, The treatment for ventricular fibrillation is 10 defibrillation, which is the delivery of an electric shock to 11 the heart that stops ventricular fibrillation and allows a 12 normal heart rhythm to resume; and

13 WHEREAS, Providing defibrillation on-site with an 14 Automated External Defibrillator (AED) can significantly 15 increase survival rates for ventricular fibrillation cardiac 16 arrest; and

WHEREAS, HSHS St. John's Hospital and its volunteers have assisted in the continuation of AED programs at the Illinois House of Representatives and the Illinois Senate by providing life-saving cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and AED training for General Assembly employees on June 13, 2019; and -2- LRB101 13302 MST 62332 r

1 WHEREAS, HSHS St. John's Hospital volunteer instructors 2 and staff for the 2019 General Assembly employee training 3 session were De Barber, Sherry Day, Tara Fadden, Oran Friend, 4 Scott Gaddy, James Geiselman, Mary Georgene Jones, Dorothy 5 Kane, Amanda Peabody, Theresa Shuey, Jean Skube, and Dawn 6 Winebright; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 8 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 9 we commend HSHS St. John's Hospital for its efforts to save 10 lives through education and training, and we thank the 11 volunteer instructors for providing CPR and AED training for 12 General Assembly employees; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be 14 presented to HSHS St. John's Hospital and the volunteer 15 instructors as an expression of our gratitude for their role in 16 providing heart-health education and life-saving training.

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