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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate the Veterans Assistance 4 Commission of Kendall County (VACKC) on the occasion of its 20 5 years in service; and

6 WHEREAS, The VACKC, in response to the need in the local 7 veteran community for financial assistance and processing 8 Veterans Affairs (VA) claims, was founded in December 2002; 9 and

10 WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Military Veterans Assistance Act 11 (MVAA), the VACKC has served since its inception as the 12 central office in providing needed services to Kendall 13 County's veterans and their families; and

14 WHEREAS, The staff of the VACKC works diligently in the 15 community to educate veterans and their families about the 16 resources available to them, thereby significantly increasing 17 awareness of both the office and veterans issues over the last 18 several years; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the years, the VACKC has assisted veterans and their families in a number of ways, including thwarting numerous evictions and home foreclosures, retaining HR0991 -2- LRB102 29638 LAW 41665 r or restoring electricity and heating, and providing financial assistance to veterans and their families for food and necessities; and

4 WHEREAS, Federal dollars paid to Kendall County veterans 5 or their survivors through VA compensation and pension 6 benefits now totals more than \$21 million per year, just shy of 7 \$2 million in new monies this year-to-date; and

8 WHEREAS, In terms of the VACKC's return on investment to 9 the community, for every taxpayer dollar levied to the 10 organization, just over \$66.00 is brought back to Kendall 11 County through VA benefits earned and acquired by veterans 12 through the efforts of VACKC staff; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 14 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 15 we congratulate the Veterans Assistance Commission of Kendall 16 County (VACKC) on its 20th anniversary and wish the 17 organization continued success in the years to come; and be it 18 further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 20 presented to the VACKC as an expression of our esteem and 21 respect.