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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate our colleague, 4 Representative Avery Bourne, on her distinguished service to 5 the people of the State of Illinois; and

6 WHEREAS, Rep. Bourne was sworn in on February 20, 2015 as 7 the youngest state representative to ever serve in the 8 Illinois State Legislature; and

9 WHEREAS, For seven years, Rep. Bourne dutifully served 10 Montgomery County as well as portions of Christian, Macoupin, 11 and Madison Counties; and

12 WHEREAS, A proud resident of Morrisonville, Rep. Bourne 13 was a great voice for the farming community, especially due to 14 her roots in rural Christian County where her family has 15 farmed for over 150 years; and

16 WHEREAS, Rep. Bourne was an incredible advocate for 17 residents across the state and a vital member of the House 18 Republican leadership team, holding the respect and esteem of 19 her colleagues; and

20 WHEREAS, Rep. Bourne amassed an impressive voting record

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7 WHEREAS, In 2016, Rep. Bourne was appointed to the House 8 Education Funding Task Force and the Illinois School Funding 9 Reform Commission to work on a bipartisan statewide solution 10 to fund disparities within the public education system; and

11 WHEREAS, The passage of comprehensive, historic education 12 funding reform was achieved in 2017 in large part due to Rep. 13 Bourne's passion, commitment, and leadership in transforming 14 education for the better across Illinois; and

15 WHEREAS, To create a government of which Illinoisans could 16 be proud, Rep. Bourne was a strong proponent of independent 17 maps for the legislature and Illinois residents, but her 18 advocacy for ethics did not stop there; and

19 WHEREAS, Rep. Bourne served as Chair of the Legislative 20 Ethics Commission, working to create stronger laws to identify 21 and remove bad actors and close loopholes that enabled 22 corruption to run rampant in the Statehouse; therefore, be it HR1058 -3- LRB102 30056 MST 42257 r

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 2 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 3 we wish to thank Representative Avery Bourne for her years of 4 dedicated service as 95th District State Representative and 5 wish her the very best in her future endeavors; and be it 6 further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 8 presented to Rep. Bourne as an expression of our esteem and 9 respect.