HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to recognize Beatrice Scescke for her work in creating the Chicago Rewilding Society and for making spaces for nature and natural activities within Chicago; and

WHEREAS, As a child, Beatrice Scescke lived in Ukrainian Village and then moved with her family to Logan Square, Palmer Square, and then the North Side, around Devon and Western; she currently lives in Garfield Park; and

WHEREAS, Beatrice Scescke is the founder of the Chicago Rewilding Society, which is a neighborhood dreamscape nature sanctuary stationed in Garfield Park; and

WHEREAS, Beatrice Scescke was inspired to create the sanctuary by her life experiences, including childhood trips to Kentucky, competing on the equestrian team in college, her agricultural major, and touring internationally working with horses and goats in the circus; and

WHEREAS, Rescued animals living at the sanctuary include horses, goats, and chickens and can provide a feeling of connectivity with the humans they encounter; the society has participated in local events, providing pony rides for children, and hopes to expand on opportunities for local school children to interact with animals from the sanctuary; and

WHEREAS, Beatrice Scescke and the Chicago Rewilding Society believe interacting with animals amplifies joy, sparks a connection to nature, and can be extremely therapeutic, especially in a city environment; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize Beatrice Scescke for her work in creating the Chicago Rewilding Society and for making spaces for nature and natural activities within Chicago; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Beatrice Scescke as a symbol of our esteem and respect.

