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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to recognize the Little Bit Foundation 4 and its many volunteers for their support of Annette Harris 5 Officer Elementary School students; and

6 WHEREAS, The Little Bit Foundation was established in St.
7 Louis, Missouri in 2001 and is committed to breaking down
8 barriers to learning for under-resourced students through
9 partnerships and programs that serve the needs of the whole
10 child; and

WHEREAS, The Little Bit Foundation works to empower students to achieve their academic goals and dreams for the future while leaving an imprint of love and hope on young lives for whom a little bit means a lot; and

WHEREAS, The Little Bit Foundation partners with schools across St. Louis, where 90 to 100% of students live at or below the federal poverty line; the programs address barriers children face, such as food insecurity, undiagnosed health conditions, lack of winter clothing, proper hygiene, insufficient reading material in the home, and more; and

21 WHEREAS, The Little Bit Foundation recently began a

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- 1 partnership with the Annette Harris Officer Elementary School
- 2 in East St. Louis, where it provided approximately 300
- 3 students with free coats and books, helping to nurture both
- 4 their bodies and minds; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The Little Bit Foundation also established a
- 6 boutique on the second floor of the Annette Harris Officer
- 7 Elementary School, where students can request various items,
- 8 including coats, uniforms, toiletries, and more; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The Little Bit Foundation, through initiatives
- 10 such as its partnership with the Annette Harris Officer
- 11 Elementary School and the provision of case managers for
- 12 wellness and family support, seeks to create an environment
- where every child feels valued, supported, and empowered to
- 14 succeed; therefore, be it
- 15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 16 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 17 we recognize and thank the Little Bit Foundation and its
- 18 volunteers for their tireless work to remove barriers to
- 19 learning for disadvantaged students while building their
- 20 confidence, dignity, and all other qualities that will lead to
- 21 their success; and be it further
- 22 RESOLVED, That we recognize the Little Bit Foundation's

- 1 partnership with the Annette Harris Officer Elementary School
- 2 in East St. Louis and its work to provide approximately 300
- 3 students with free coats and books, as well as providing the
- 4 school with a boutique where students can have access to
- 5 necessities; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 7 presented to the Little Bit Foundation as an expression of our
- 8 esteem and respect.