

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives
3 congratulate University of Illinois senior Matt Lackey from
4 Moline on winning the 165 Lb Weight Class National NCAA
5 Wrestling Title; and

6 WHEREAS, Matt Lackey finished third in 2001, second in
7 2002, and has now become the NCAA champion at 165 pounds; his
8 6-3 win over the second-seed Troy Letters of LeHigh helped
9 lead the Illini to their seventh Top-10 finish under Head
10 Coach Mark Johnson; and

11 WHEREAS, The Illini squad under the leadership of Head
12 Coach Mark Johnson and team captain Matt Lackey scored 53
13 points and finished ninth in the nation in 2003; and

14 WHEREAS, Matt Lackey finishes the season with an
15 unblemished 38-0 record and 120-14 mark for his career; with
16 120 wins, he is tied for fourth on the school's all-time win
17 list; and

18 WHEREAS, Matt Lackey is a favorite son of Illinois and
19 will be competing to bring home the Olympic Gold to our
20 State; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
22 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
23 we congratulate Matt Lackey on winning the National
24 Championship and wish him well in all of his future endeavors
25 especially at the Olympic Trials; and be it further

26 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
27 presented to Head Coach Mark Johnson and NCAA Champion Matt
28 Lackey with our respect and esteem.