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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Maureen Mulhall has been a massage therapist since
3 1984; and

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WHEREAS, She has been a member of the American Massage
5 Therapy Association since 1995; she began advocating for
6 massage therapy licensure in 1996 at the behest of former
7 Representative Beth Coulsen to protect the public while
8 ensuring the integrity of the profession; and

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10 WHEREAS, From 1996 to 2001, Maureen worked with members of
11 the General Assembly and industry stakeholders to ensure
12 legislation that would establish regulations that would not
13 overly burden practitioners but ensure the health, safety, and
welfare of massage therapy consumers; and

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15 WHEREAS, The Massage Licensing Act was enacted in 2003 in
large part due to the tireless volunteer effort of Maureen; and

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17 WHEREAS, In acknowledgment of her dedication to the welfare
18 of the citizens of Illinois and her fellow massage therapists,
19 Maureen received the first license issued by the Department of
Financial and Professional Regulation in 2004; and

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WHEREAS, The leadership, dedication, and fundamental

1 understanding of good legislation demonstrated through the
2 years of advocating for the profession led the Illinois Chapter
3 of the American Massage Therapy Association to contract for
4 Maureen's services in 2002; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
7 we publicly recognize and commend the work of Maureen Mulhall
8 and her 15 years of dedicated, selfless service to the massage
9 therapy industry; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to Maureen Mulhall as a symbol of our respect and
12 esteem.