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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 members Illinois WHEREAS, The of the House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Carol Johnson on 4 receiving the "2014 Best School Blood Drive Coordinator Award" 5 from the Illinois Coalition of Community Blood Centers; and 6 WHEREAS, In 1997, Carol Johnson began overseeing the 7 organization of annual blood drives at Harlem High School in 8 Machesney Park; and 9 WHEREAS, Because of Carol Johnson's success, the school 10 began to hold semi-annual blood drives, with some of the drives being 2 days long; and 11 12 WHEREAS, Carol Johnson has been an advocate for "Be the 13 Match", the world's largest bone marrow registry, which links patients to compatible donors, and encourages her students to 14 15 participate in the registry; and 16 WHEREAS, Carol Johnson has embraced new technological 17 advancements that make it possible for double red cells to be 18 collected at mobile drives; because of her, many students have been double red cell donors; and 19

20 WHEREAS, Carol Johnson works to ensure each individual

donor is recognized by making seasonal decorations with each

- donor's name on it, which are displayed in the school; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Though Carol Johnson retired in 2008, she has
- 4 continued to organize the school's blood drives and has been
- 5 responsible for the collection of well over 2000 units of blood
- 6 at Harlem High School; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The results of Carol Johnson's efforts will
- 8 continue to be seen for years to come because of the critical
- 9 role school blood drives play in cultivating lifetime donors;
- 10 therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 12 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 13 we commend Carol Johnson for her selfless service to her
- 14 community and her strong commitment to her students; and be it
- 15 further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to Carol Johnson as a symbol of our respect and
- 18 esteem.