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HOUSE RESOLUTION 1

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2 Illinois WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Dr. Mary D. Bruce on the 4 occasion of her promotion to the position of Full Professor at 5 Governors State University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mary D. Bruce earned her bachelor's degree in 7 Mass Communications from Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana in 1984, her master's degree in Public Administration from Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan in 1992, and her Ph.D. in Political Science from Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mary D. Bruce began her educational career in 1995 as a substitute teacher in the Detroit public school system; in 1998, she began teaching English and math at Wayne State University; in 1999, she began teaching English and math at the Lewis College of Business; in 2001, she started teaching American Government courses at Wayne State University; in 2003, at Wayne County Community College, she continued teaching American Government courses; from September of 2003 to August of 2004, she served as a lecturer of Intermediate Reading and Writing and Oral Communications/Public Speaking at Wayne State University; and

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WHEREAS, In August of 2004, Dr. Mary D. Bruce became an Assistant Professor at Governors State University; while at Governors State University, she has taught numerous courses in public administration, including the Introduction to Public Administration and Public Policy Analysis undergraduate courses; she also taught the Seminar in Public Policy: Community Planning and Strategic Planning, Human Resource Management, Seminar in Public Policy, and Seminar in Urban and Local Government graduate courses; in July of 2007, she became a Visiting Professor at the Makerere University Business School in Kampala, Uganda; in 2014, she was selected to serve as the Not-for-Profit/Social Entrepreneurship Concentration Coordinator for Governors State University's doctoral program (Ed.D) in Interdisciplinary Leadership; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mary D. Bruce is a member of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, the African Working Group of the National Academy of Public Administration, the American Political Science Association, the American Society of Public Administrators, the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration, and the Consortium for International Management, Policy, and Development; she is a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and has served on several boards, including the South Suburban Family Shelter and the Access to Care Board; she is also a lifetime member of Jack and Jill of America and an Itinerant Elder in the African

- 1 Methodist Episcopal Church since 1998, serving in the fourth
- 2 Episcopal District; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Dr. Mary D. Bruce is a charter member of the
- 4 International Public Administration Honors Society of Pi Alpha
- 5 Alpha while at Oakland University and started the Pi Alpha
- 6 Alpha Society at Governors State University; and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Mary D. Bruce has authored numerous scholarly
- 8 publications, including "Training for Disaster Management" for
- 9 the Illinois Political Science Review, presented a paper
- 10 entitled "Education at Opposite Ends of the Spectrum" for the
- 11 Midwest Political Science Association, and published an
- 12 article entitled "Is Equity in education Attainable?" in the
- Journal of Public Management and Social Policy; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Dr. Mary D. Bruce is a diligent and poised
- 15 educator who serves as a model of integrity and dedication for
- 16 the people of the State of Illinois; therefore, be it
- 17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 19 congratulate Dr. Mary D. Bruce on the occasion of her promotion
- 20 to the position of Full Professor at Governors State University
- 21 and wish her continued success and happiness in the future; and
- 22 be it further

- 1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 2 presented to Dr. Mary D. Bruce as a symbol of our esteem and
- 3 respect.