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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Coach Doug Creel of the 4 Mt. Vernon Township High School boys basketball team, the Rams, on setting a school record with his 272nd win; and 5 6 WHEREAS, Coach Creel has had 2 stints as Rams coach, during 7 which time he led the Rams to some of their most successful 8 seasons; his first season was the 1995-96 school year; and 9 WHEREAS, Starting in 1997, the Rams won 5 straight regional 10 titles; 3 times during that stretch, the Rams won at least 25 games; Coach Creel stepped down from his position after the 11 12 2007-08 season; and 13 WHEREAS, Coach Creel returned to coaching after a 6-year absence; his first season back on the sidelines ended with a 14 15 regional title; and 16 WHEREAS, Coach Creel scored his 272nd win, the most in Mt. 17 Vernon Township High School boys basketball history, in a game against Effingham High School; and 18 19 WHEREAS, The game in which Coach Creel broke the record went down to the wire; it ended with 2 free throws in the last 20

- second of the game to make it a 53 to 51 Rams victory; and
- 2 WHEREAS, The Rams have an overall winning record under
- 3 Coach Creel's leadership; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Coach Creel has devoted an immense amount of time,
- 5 energy, and effort to the Rams program; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 7 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 8 congratulate Coach Doug Creel of the Mt. Vernon Township High
- 9 School boys basketball team, the Rams, on setting a school
- record with his 272nd win, and we wish him many more successful
- 11 years; and be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
- presented to Coach Doug Creel and the Rams.