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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are proud to recognize significant events in 4 the lives of the citizens of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Judy Truitt of 6 Centralia has been nominated for an Illinois Women of 7 Achievement Award by Centralia Mayor Bob Demijan; the award 8 is bestowed by Lt. Governor Corrine Wood; and

9 WHEREAS, Mrs. Truitt has taught at the elementary level 10 for 27 years, four of which were spent in California; she has 11 taught in the Centralia City Schools for 23 years and spends 12 much of her personal time supporting her students; Mrs. 13 Truitt often attends basketball, volleyball, baseball and 14 softball games, band concerts, Christmas programs, and many 15 other functions; and

16 WHEREAS, Mrs. Truitt is quick to smile, compliment and 17 converse with the children; she teaches not only academics, 18 but also self-esteem, social skills, and love for country and 19 freedom; many students' lives have been turned around because 20 of Mrs. Truitt; and

21 WHEREAS, Mrs. Truitt is an avid frog collector, and many 22 of her former students who are now college graduates send her 23 many varieties of frogs from all over the world for her 24 collection; and

25 WHEREAS, Mrs. Truitt serves on the School Improvement 26 Committee and the Title I Schoolwide Committee, and is 27 chairman of Earth Week in conjunction with Clean and Green's 28 beautification program; she also works on the Curriculum 29 Development Committee and co-wrote a multicultural curriculum 30 for the elementary level in the school district; and

31 WHEREAS, Mrs. Judy Truitt's "claim to fame" is her

obvious love for people, particularly for children; she remembers everyone's birthday, does Homework Help with children after school as an added tutor, and takes special interest in children with problems; and

5 WHEREAS, Mrs. Truitt is the mother of one daughter, 6 Tammy, who has lived in Vietnam, teaching English to the 7 young people of that country; and

8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Truitt's humility has allowed her 9 accomplishments to go unrecognized; she has exhibited her 10 leadership qualities through her service, and hundreds of her 11 former students and student teachers have kept in touch with 12 her throughout their lives; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 14 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 15 we congratulate Judy Truitt of Centralia for her profound 16 influence as a teacher; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 18 presented to Judy Truitt as an expression of our esteem.

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