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Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives wish to recognize Tracy Sefcik of Wheeling on 4 completing a 3,142-mile bicycle trek across the country to help 5 raise money for veterans and first responders as part of a fundraiser for the Gary Sinise Foundation; and 6

7 WHEREAS, Tracy Sefcik began her journey in San Diego in 8 early March of 2018, departing after a ceremony aboard the 9 flight deck of the USS Midway; she ended it in St. Augustine, 10 Florida two months later; and

WHEREAS, While biking across the country, Tracy Sefcik stopped along the way for medical appointments; she has epilepsy caused by a brain tumor and suffered 16 seizures along the way; and

WHEREAS, Tracy Sefcik exceeded her goal of raising \$25,000 for the Gary Sinise Foundation, which serves our nation by honoring our defenders, veterans, first responders, their families, and those in need by creating and supporting unique programs designed to entertain, educate, inspire, strengthen, and build communities; and

WHEREAS, The cause of supporting veterans is important to

- 1 Tracy Sefcik who is herself a veteran, having served in the
- 2 United States Navy; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Tracy Sefcik is already planning her next trip, a
- 4 ride along the West Coast from Canada to Mexico in 2021; this
- 5 is a fundraising event with fireman from throughout the United
- 6 States for the 20th anniversary of 9/11 for the Gary Sinise
- 7 Foundation; the firemen will be riding from Seattle to Los
- 8 Angeles and Tracy will join them for that leg of her journey;
- 9 therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 11 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 12 recognize Tracy Sefcik of Wheeling on completing a 3,142-mile
- 13 bicycle trek across the country to help raise money for
- 14 veterans and first responders, and we wish her the best on her
- 15 next journey; and be it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to Tracy Sefcik as a symbol of our respect and
- 18 esteem.