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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Ann Ford on her
4 70th birthday, July 26, 2011; and

5 WHEREAS, She was born in Indiana; her work in the field of
6 independent living has taken her from Massachusetts to
7 Illinois, where she currently resides in Springfield and serves
8 as the Executive Director of the Illinois Network of Centers
9 for Independent Living; and

10 WHEREAS, She has a Bachelor's degree from Roosevelt
11 University in Chicago; she began her career in 1967 at the
12 National Spinal Cord Injury Association; she was the first
13 director of the Peoria Center for Independent Living; she later
14 moved to Glen Ellyn and founded the DuPage Center for
15 Independent Living; and

16 WHEREAS, In her work she has drafted legislation, served on
17 the Governor's Disability Services Advisory Committee, the
18 Advisory Committee for the Health Benefits of Workers with
19 Disabilities, and other councils and advisory groups; and

20 WHEREAS, She is considered one of the leading authorities
21 on disability rights in the State of Illinois and the Midwest

1 region; and

2 WHEREAS, Fittingly, her birthday is the same day that the
3 Americans with Disabilities Act was passed; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
5 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
6 we congratulate Ann Ford on this momentous occasion and wish
7 her continued happiness and good health for years to come; and
8 be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to Ann Ford as a symbol of our respect and esteem.