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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to recognize Josephine Wade on the contributions that she has made to the betterment of her community; and

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WHEREAS, At the age of 15, Josephine Wade made the decision to overcome poverty; she entered the business world at the age of 21; for 33 years, she has been a restaurateur and mortgage broker; in 1989, she and her husband, Rupert Smith, opened Captain's Hard Times Dining on East 79th Street; in less than four months, the restaurant quickly outgrew the building and was moved to its present location; and

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WHEREAS, Josephine Wade is a member of Carter Temple CME Church; she is on the Board of Directors of the Albertina Walker Scholarship Foundation and is a member of the Community Advisory Board of Carver High School and the Advisory Board of Harold Washington College's Hospitality Program; she is a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Rainbow/Push Coalition, the Urban League, the National Council of Negro Women, Inc., the American Religious Connection of Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church, the National Prison Ministry, Women Empowered, and many others; and

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1 WHEREAS, The intersection of East 79th Street and South
2 Vernon Avenue in Chicago will be named in her honor on March 4,
3 2017; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
5 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
6 recognize Josephine Wade on the contributions that she has made
7 to the betterment of her community and we wish her many more
8 successful years; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to Josephine Wade as an expression of our esteem and
11 respect.