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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Suzan Nash on her retirement from Community Action after 38 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Suzan Nash started with the Western Illinois Regional Council as an intern in 1978 and has dedicated her life to fighting the war on poverty and meeting the needs of the less fortunate; and

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WHEREAS, Suzan Nash became the first female director of a regional planning agency in Illinois in 1981 when she assumed the leadership of the Western Illinois Regional Council; and

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WHEREAS, Suzan Nash established the Western Illinois Regional Council as a Community Action Agency in 1982; and

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WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Suzan Nash, the Western Illinois Regional Council established the Victim Services Program, providing free and confidential services in a safe environment for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault in Hancock, Henderson, McDonough, and Warren Counties; and

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WHEREAS, Suzan Nash has served on the boards of the

1 Illinois Association of Regional Councils and the National
2 Association of Development Organizations Midwest Region; she
3 served on the Board of the Illinois Association of Community
4 Action Agencies for over 10 years, most recently serving as
5 vice-chair; and

6 WHEREAS, Suzan Nash has been an active member of her
7 community; she served as a Radio Information Services reader, a
8 Youth Assistance Program founding board member, a Quality of
9 Life committee member, YMCA president and board member, a
10 McDonough County United Way volunteer and campaign chair, and
11 as the finance chair at St. Paul Parish; and

12 WHEREAS, Suzan Nash has received the Macomb Feminists
13 Network "Writing Women into History Award", and the Western
14 Illinois University Department of Parks, Recreation and
15 Tourism Distinguished Alumni Award in 1990; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
17 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
18 congratulate Suzan Nash on her retirement from Community Action
19 after 38 years of service and we wish her well in her
20 retirement and with all future endeavors; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
22 presented to Suzan Nash as an expression of our esteem and

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