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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Dr. David Asbery on 4 receiving the 2018 Rural Physician of Excellence Award from the 5 Illinois Rural Health Association; and 6 WHEREAS, One of the biggest healthcare challenges across 7 our nation is the shortage of physicians who practice in rural 8 settings, with the lack of obstetricians putting women at an 9 especially high risk; and 10 WHEREAS, Before pursuing a career in medicine, Dr. Asbery served our nation as a United States Marine from 1987 to 1989; 11 12 and 13 WHEREAS, Dr. Asbery graduated from the University of Kentucky College of Medicine in 1996; and 14 15 WHEREAS, Dr. Asbery completed his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology in 2000 at the New Hanover Regional Medical 16 17 Center in Wilmington, North Carolina; and 18 WHEREAS, Dr. Asbery was board certified by the American 19 College of Obstetrics and Gynecology in 2002; and

- WHEREAS, Dr. Asbery started practicing in Mt. Vernon in
- 2 2007 with St. Mary's Good Samaritan Medical Group; he then
- opened his own practice, Asbery & Associates OB-GYN, LLC in 3
- 2010; and

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- 5 WHEREAS, Dr. Asbery has expanded his practice to include
- two associate physicians, two physician assistants, one 6
- advanced practice nurse, two certified nurse midwives, and 32 7
- 8 additional staff members; he has clinics in Centralia,
- 9 McLeansboro, Mt. Vernon, and Nashville; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Dr. Asbery has filled a tremendous void by his
- 11 expansion of obstetric care in the area so local women no
- 12 longer have to travel extensively to seek such care; and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Asbery's highly specialized training as a 13
- 14 certified Da Vinci Surgeon ensures his patient are getting
- state-of-the-art care close to home; and 15
- 16 WHEREAS, Dr. Asbery is also very devoted to his community;
- 17 specifically, he supports small business development, serves
- 18 on the Rend Lake Community College Board, and helps with
- fundraising for local school extracurricular programs; and 19
- 20 WHEREAS, In his "free time", Dr. Asbery practices his
- 21 aviation skills, flying as well as traveling, with his wife,

- 1 Kathy, and their beloved clan, which includes Kadin, Cullen,
- 2 Liam, and Elliana; therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 4 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 5 congratulate Dr. David Asbery on receiving the 2018 Rural
- 6 Physician of Excellence Award, and we commend his selfless
- 7 service and dedication to his patients and acknowledge the
- 8 impact he has made improving healthcare delivery for women and
- 9 babies in southern Illinois; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to Dr Asbery as a symbol of our respect and esteem.