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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to commend Representative Christine
4 Winger for her service to the State of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, Representative Winger, a lifelong resident of
6 Illinois, was raised on the Northwest side of Chicago; she
7 followed in the footsteps of her father, a police officer in
8 Chicago, and committed to public service after she graduated
9 from Illinois State University; prior to her election to the
10 Illinois House of Representatives, she served as a City
11 Councilman in Wood Dale for 11 years and tirelessly advocated
12 for residents and small business owners; she was appointed
13 Deputy Mayor of Wood Dale in 2013; and

14 WHEREAS, Representative Winger left local government to
15 serve the State of Illinois and took office for the 45th
16 Representative District of Illinois in 2014; with her
17 professional experience as project manager at IBM and her work
18 as a financial advisor, she served the communities of DuPage
19 and Cook County for two terms and worked to improve the quality
20 of life for families, including advocating for a better job
21 climate to help businesses thrive; and

22 WHEREAS, A strong supporter of animal rights and welfare,

1 Representative Winger sponsored legislation to advocate for
2 the humane treatment of animals, and, in 2018, she sponsored HB
3 5477 to increase transparency in animal shelters throughout
4 Illinois and to promote better health and wellness for animals
5 in shelters; to further advocate for the health and wellness of
6 animals, she worked to promote SB2380, which prevented shelters
7 from euthanizing animals; and

8 WHEREAS, Throughout her tenure in the House of
9 Representatives, Representative Winger worked tirelessly to
10 provide area residents with relief from the adverse effects of
11 the airport noise and its flight patterns; she worked with the
12 Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a study of
13 the environmental effects of O'Hare Airport and even traveled
14 to the White House to meet with the U.S. Department of
15 Transportation and the Federal Aviation Administration; and

16 WHEREAS, Representative Winger was a strong supporter of
17 veterans and worked in the House of Representatives to assist
18 with the transition from military life to civilian life,
19 advocated for better property tax rights, and also helped to
20 increase the level of care within Veterans' Homes; and

21 WHEREAS, Representative Winger joined her colleagues in
22 Cook County to oppose a pop tax that took effect in 2017 and
23 stood in support of legislation to repeal it and the unfair

1 burden it placed on the constituents, businesses, and families
2 in her District; standing alongside lawmakers at the State and
3 local level, her continued support for a repeal successfully
4 made the pop tax one of the shortest taxes in history when it
5 was repealed on December 1, 2017; and

6 WHEREAS, Representative Winger has been a staunch
7 supporter of local business and was a member of five local
8 chambers: Wood Dale, Roselle, Bloomingdale, Carol Stream, and
9 the Bartlett Area; in 2018, she was recognized as a Champion of
10 Free Enterprise by the Illinois Chamber of Commerce; and

11 WHEREAS, Representative Winger fiercely supported the
12 Time's Up movement and urged her colleagues in the House of
13 Representatives to do the same; as a member of the House Sexual
14 Harassment Task Force, she was a strong proponent of House
15 Resolution 783, which urged a full investigation into an
16 Illinois assembly plant owned by Ford Motor Company to put a
17 stop to sexual harassment and to call for increased support for
18 women in the workplace; and

19 WHEREAS, An advocate for property tax reform,
20 Representative Winger supported reform efforts in Springfield
21 while also providing outreach and support to the constituents
22 at home in the 45th District to help residents navigate the
23 complex and confusing property tax system; and

1 WHEREAS, To support better business practices,
2 Representative Winger created HB3244, legislation to allow
3 electronic document transfer to allow more effective
4 communication between larger businesses, companies, and
5 consumers; and

6 WHEREAS, Representative Winger worked to pass HB3251,
7 legislation to prevent cyberstalking, electronic monitoring,
8 and the use of spyware, to protect the privacy and safety of
9 all citizens; and

10 WHEREAS, Representative Winger created an essential new
11 law that ensured newborns receive bilateral hearing screenings
12 within 30 days of birth, an instrumental advancement in early
13 intervention to help children get the services they need to
14 develop necessary language skills; and

15 WHEREAS, Serving as an advocate for the foster care system,
16 Representative Winger worked to pass legislation to permit
17 foster parents to make decisions about normal activities for
18 their foster children; because of this change, children in
19 foster care can spend the night at a friend's house or go to
20 prom or get an after-school job; and

21 WHEREAS, An active member of the community, Representative

1 Winger created a senior advisory council to gain insight into
2 issues important to senior citizens in the area and to hold
3 discussions about the issues facing Illinois; and

4 WHEREAS, Representative Winger enjoyed meeting students
5 throughout her district during her summer reading program and
6 at her Student Art Gallery, a spot in her district office where
7 she proudly displayed the artwork from students at Westfield
8 Middle School; and

9 WHEREAS, Representative Winger's dedication to the State
10 of Illinois, its communities, and its people is commendable and
11 made a difference in the lives of many; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
13 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
14 commend Representative Christine Winger for her service to the
15 State of Illinois, her neighbors, and friends in the 45th
16 Representative District, and we wish her and her family the
17 best as she moves on to a new chapter in her life; and be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to Representative Winger as an expression of our
21 esteem and respect.