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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION 2 WHEREAS, March has been designated as Women's History Month 3 to honor the contributions of women to our State and to our 4 nation; and 5 WHEREAS, Women living in nursing homes are among our oldest 6 Illinoisans of every race, ethnicity, and socio-economic 7 status and have contributed mightily to our communities through 8 their passion, ingenuity, and tireless determination; and 9 WHEREAS, They have earned the right to be honored, cared for, and protected as women of wisdom; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Female nursing home residents have raised their 12 families, taught our children, and led their communities; and 13 WHEREAS, In their lifetimes, these women of wisdom have 14 broken through the glass ceiling, served in the military to 15 preserve freedom, and fought for the rights of women and children to live free from violence; and 16 17 WHEREAS, These women of wisdom have marched on the Chicago 18 lakefront and the streets of Springfield as they worked 19 tirelessly to ratify the ERA in Illinois; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Many struggled to raise their children, earning
- 2 only 59 cents for every dollar earned by their male
- 3 counterparts; and
- WHEREAS, Many of these women of wisdom are now over 100
- 5 years old and must now look to the younger generations to care
- 6 for them; and
- WHEREAS, They are deserving of the highest caliber of care
- 8 as they live out their final years; and
- 9 WHEREAS, It is important they are not forgotten and are
- 10 included in the celebration of Women's History Month;
- 11 therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 13 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 14 all women residing in skilled nursing facilities in Illinois
- should be honored for their lifelong service to their families
- 16 and communities.