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HOUSE RESOLUTION

of Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members the House of 3 Representatives wish to commend Barbara McDonald for her many 4 vears of dedicated service to the citizens of the State of 5 Illinois and for her great dedication to the cause of equal 6 opportunities for all; and

7 WHEREAS, Barbara McDonald has been employed with the State 8 of Illinois for 22 years; she currently works for the Illinois 9 Department of Central Management Services (CMS) Bureau of 10 Personnel where she has held the title of human resources 11 specialist with the Diversity Enrichment Program; she has assisted hiring agencies, boards, and commissions with their 12 13 recruitment needs; she has also conducted career counseling 14 services for thousands of candidates seeking employment 15 with opportunities state government; her outreach, recruitment, and career counseling services have resulted in 16 several hundred candidates being hired; she has assisted 17 18 legislators in coordinating targeted outreach and recruitment 19 events for their constituents and community members; and

20 WHEREAS, In addition to her service at CMS, Barbara 21 McDonald was employed with the Illinois Department of Human 22 Services (DHS) for five years; during her tenure at DHS, she 23 worked for one year as a human services caseworker within a

HR0599 -2-LRB102 23413 ECR 32582 r 1 local office assisting clients with employment and training 2 activities to aid them in obtaining gainful employment; she was promoted to a human resources representative with the 3 Bureau of Personnel where she worked for four years; she 4 5 supported hiring agencies, boards, and commissions with employee transactions for 6 processing several thousand employees to meet payroll deadlines; and 7

8 WHEREAS, Barbara McDonald has been a member of numerous 9 state and community organizations, including the Americans 10 with Disabilities Act (ADA) Committee, through which she helps 11 plan and conduct hiring events for persons with disabilities; 12 she served on the Interagency Committee on Employees with 13 Disabilities (ICED) to help recruit people with disabilities 14 through outreach, recruitment, and annual conferences; and

15 WHEREAS, Barbara McDonald has been the recipient of numerous awards for her community service, including receiving 16 recognition from the Illinois Association of Minorities in 17 18 Government (IAMG), the WIOA (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act) Partners for aiding in passing the Act which 19 20 is designed to help people with significant barriers achieve 21 gainful employment and to help employers hire and retain skilled workers, and the Chicago Citywide Literacy Coalition 22 23 (CCLC) for conducting employment workshops on navigating the 24 State of Illinois employment process; she received а

HR0599 -3-LRB102 23413 ECR 32582 r recognition certificate from the Global Executive Council 1 2 (GEC) for help in providing outreach and recruitment assistance to Asian communities to help improve new hires with 3 state government; following intensive state training and 4 5 development, she successfully became a rapid results consultant to assist state government in conducting work tasks 6 more efficiently and effectively; and 7

8 WHEREAS, Barbara McDonald serves as a model of hard work, 9 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of 10 Illinois; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 12 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 13 we commend Barbara McDonald for her many years of dedicated 14 service to the citizens of the State of Illinois and wish her 15 continued success and happiness in the future; and be it 16 further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 18 presented to Barbara McDonald as a symbol of our esteem and 19 respect.