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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Hyatt Magazine on the 4 occasion of its 10th anniversary; and

5 WHEREAS, Hyatt Magazine is a free social and cultural 6 magazine published monthly, featuring events, entertainment, 7 lifestyle, business data, leisure, and lore; it is available 8 by print, online, and through most social media outlets; and

WHEREAS, Hyatt Magazine was founded by Dr. Mazen Barakat, M.D., MHA, in May 2012, with the vision to build a world class and reputable media institution in the United States to connect Middle Eastern communities together, strengthening their social, cultural, and economical aspects, while building social, cultural, and economical bridges with other communities; and

WHEREAS, Hyatt Magazine released its first publication in June 2012, initially being distributed to Chicagoland areas and surrounding suburbs before expanding to cover northwest Indiana in 2015 and then the Milwaukee area of southeast Wisconsin in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Hyatt Magazine, striving to fulfill its vision

1 statement, began communicating and building bridges with other

- 2 communities and ethnicities in 2017; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Hyatt Magazine hosted seven successful and
- 4 productive seminars on women's empowerment and leadership in
- 5 2019; the publication initiated a movement to support women's
- 6 education and job placement through preparing to continue
- 7 hosting seminars in 2020, but the project was halted when the
- 8 nation was struck by the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Hyatt Magazine launched the English version of
- 10 its podcast division in 2021 and prepared to introduce an
- 11 Arabic version; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Hyatt Magazine endorsed and supported its Public
- 13 Relations Director Tasneem Abuzir as she successfully ran for
- 14 a trustee position in the Palos Township in 2021, becoming the
- 15 first Middle-Eastern person to hold an elected office in
- 16 Chicagoland; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Hyatt Magazine celebrated its 10-year anniversary
- in October 2022; therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 20 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 21 we congratulate Hyatt Magazine on the occasion of its 10th

- 1 anniversary, and we wish the publication continued success;
- 2 and be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 4 presented to Hyatt Magazine as an expression of our esteem and
- 5 respect.