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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to recognize Beatrice Mensah Tayui for 4 her work in organizing the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus's 5 West African trip to Ghana in January 2023; and

6 WHEREAS, From January 14, 2023 to January 23, 2023, the 7 eight member delegation visited Accra, Ghana, a prominent 8 African city that is rich in tradition, the homeland of many 9 Illinois residents, the capital of Ghana, and the first 10 African nation to gain independence from colonial rule; and

11 WHEREAS, Highlights of the trip included meeting with 12 Elizabeth Sackey, the first woman to serve as Mayor of Accra, 13 visiting the U.S. Embassy in Ghana, and meeting with John 14 Kufuor, the former President of Ghana; and

15 WHEREAS, Beatrice Tayui served as a co-organizer for the 16 Illinois Legislative Black Caucus delegation's trip to Ghana; 17 and

18 WHEREAS, Beatrice Tayui, originally from Ghana, earned 19 Bachelors of Science in Economics and Business Administration 20 from Roosevelt University in Chicago; and HR0278 -2- LRB103 31262 ECR 58324 r
WHEREAS, Prior to establishing her own global businesses,
Beatrice Tayui held executive leadership positions at several
Fortune 500 companies, including Pfizer, Hoffman La Roche, and
Johnson & Johnson; and

5 WHEREAS, Beatrice Tayui is a seasoned chief executive 6 officer (CEO) who has founded and operated several businesses 7 on the international landscape with a focus on oil and gas in Sub-Saharan Africa; she is the founder and CEO of Cybele 8 9 Energy Global and Cybele Energy Limited, a Ghana-based oil and 10 gas company focused on the exploration and production of oil 11 blocks within West Africa; she is also the founder of the 12 Illinois-based White Oak Technologies, Inc., which has been established to train, certify, place, and mentor young and 13 14 dynamic African Americans into the corporate technology space; 15 and

16 WHEREAS, Beatrice Tayui provides mentoring and sponsorship 17 programs for less fortunate children in the Chicagoland 18 community; her passion for education has also led her to 19 actively donate to a polytechnic institution in her native 20 country of Ghana; and

21 WHEREAS, Beatrice Tayui's business knowledge and 22 distinctive leadership skills have earned her several awards 23 from organizations globally; and WHEREAS, Beatrice Tayui resides in Flossmoor and is the
 mother of three children; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 4 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 5 we recognize Beatrice Mensah Tayui for co-organizing the 6 Illinois Legislative Black Caucus delegation's trip to Ghana 7 in West Africa in January 2023; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 9 presented to Beatrice Tayui as a symbol of our esteem and 10 respect.