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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to recognize Claire Maddie Eisenstadt for 4 her efforts to advocate for and fight prejudice against the 5 Jewish community; and

6 WHEREAS, Claire Eisenstadt, of Northbrook, is the 7 great-granddaughter of Holocaust survivors, and her family are 8 members of three synagoques; she is currently a student at 9 Glenbrook North High School, where she is a member of the swim 10 team, a youth swim instructor, a featured dancer in dance and 11 musical theater performances, and the first chair trumpet player of her school band; she was also a student of a 12 13 sanctioned Hebrew high school; and

14 WHEREAS, While attending Glenbrook North High School, Claire Eisenstadt developed skills in leadership and Jewish 15 advocacy; during her study of F. Scott Fitzgerald's novel The 16 17 Great Gatsby, she noticed that anti-Semitic tropes and 18 stereotypes were going unacknowledged in class, which she 19 brought to the attention of the school administration; through 20 collaboration with the chair and faculty of the English Department, she advised the revision and amendment of the 21 22 curriculum to incorporate discussion of anti-Semitism within 23 the novel and to educate future English classes on the harm HR0428 -2- LRB103 34657 LAW 64500 r
anti-Semitism can cause; for her efforts, she was recognized
by Hadassah with a Leaders of Tomorrow Camp Scholarship Award,
announced in the organization's national magazine and
published in Jewish Chicago: The JUF Magazine; and

5 WHEREAS, In August 2022, Claire was asked to plan, 6 organize, and lead the Holocaust Remembrance Assembly that 7 would take place at Glenbrook North High School in April 2023; she was instrumental in the management and production of this 8 9 event, providing significant knowledge and content; under her 10 leadership, the event was an overwhelming success, being 11 featured in a press release and subsequent lead story in 12 Glenbrook High School District 225's guarterly newsletter; she will lead the presentation scheduled for April 2024; and 13

14 WHEREAS, Claire Eisenstadt is active in several Jewish 15 youth groups, including Young Judea, United Synagogue Youth (USY), Bnai Brith Youth Organization (BBYO), and National 16 17 Conference of Synagogue Youth (NCSY); she founded the Young Judea Chicago Chapter in May 2022 and serves as the current 18 president; she served as vice president of USY Jewish 19 20 Education from August 2022 to June 2023, as vice president of 21 BBYO Jewish Education from January 2022 to June 2022, and as a member of the NCSY General Board from September 2021 to June 22 23 2022; and

HR0428 -3-LRB103 34657 LAW 64500 r 1 WHEREAS, While a sophomore, Claire Eisenstadt was invited 2 to join the American Jewish Committee (AJC) Leaders For 3 Tomorrow (LFT) youth leadership program, supported by Congressman Brad Schneider; in recognition of her incredible 4 5 contributions to the AJC LFT program, her passion for the Jewish people and Israel advocacy, her engagement with peers, 6 her ability to invoke critical insight and contribute to a 7 8 more thoughtful and enjoyable atmosphere, and her strong grasp 9 of Jewish and Israeli history and ability to weave this 10 knowledge seamlessly into her personal narrative as an 11 advocate, she received the highly selective invitation to 12 attend the AJC Global Forum in Tel Aviv Israel in June 2023; therefore, be it 13

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 15 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 16 we congratulate Claire Maddie Eisenstadt for her work on 17 promoting Jewish identity, combating anti-Semitism, and 18 representing the Jewish community on a global stage, and we 19 wish her continued success in her future endeavors; and be it 20 further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 22 presented to Claire Eisenstadt as an expression of our esteem 23 and respect.