



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Lincoln Foundation for Performance Excellence
3 was founded in 1994 and is a publicly and privately-supported
4 not-for-profit organization; it was created to significantly
5 raise Illinois worldwide competitiveness by improving the
6 performance of its institutions and businesses; and

7 WHEREAS, The Lincoln Foundation for Performance Excellence
8 has created an award patterned after the Malcolm Baldrige
9 National Quality Award; the award is an annual recognition of
10 Illinois organizations that have demonstrated exemplary
11 approach, deployment, and results in their overall quality
12 systems and processes; it is presented to organizations that
13 serve as role models for quality, customer satisfaction, and
14 performance excellence; and

15 WHEREAS, The Lincoln Foundation for Performance Excellence
16 has awarded OSF Saint James-John W. Albrecht Medical Center,
17 located in Pontiac, the 2004 Lincoln Silver Award for Progress
18 Towards Excellence; and

19 WHEREAS, In addition, eight other Illinois organizations
20 were recognized with the 2004 Lincoln Bronze Award for
21 Commitment to Excellence for their earnest efforts to adopt and
22 apply continuous improvement principles; these recipients
23 include Akzo Nobel Aerospace Coatings in Waukegan, Bison Gear &
24 Engineering Corp. in Saint Charles, Forest View Elementary
25 School in Mt. Prospect, MTM Recognition in Princeton, Mundelein
26 High School District 120 in Mundelein, Preco Electronics, Inc.,
27 in Morton, Robert Frost Elementary School in Mt. Prospect, and
28 Salt Creek Elementary School in Elk Grove Village; and

29 WHEREAS, Award recipients were formally honored at The
30 Lincoln Foundation for Performance Excellence Tenth Annual
31 Recognition Ceremony hosted by Michael J. Birck, Tellabs'

1 Chairman and CEO, on December 15, 2004; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
3 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
4 we recognize The Lincoln Foundation for Performance Excellence
5 and its efforts to assist Illinois organizations to strive for
6 performance excellence; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to The Lincoln Foundation for Performance Excellence
9 and each 2004 Performance Excellence Award recipient as an
10 expression of our respect and esteem.