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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The week of May 6, 2005, through May 12, 2005, 3 will be celebrated as National Nurses Week; and

WHEREAS, National Nurses Week honors the nurses across the entire country that care for our men, women, and children through all stages of health and illness; and

7 WHEREAS, There are approximately 146,000 registered nurses 8 in the State of Illinois who provide highly skilled, quality 9 care in a variety of settings, and who encounter increased 10 challenges to their professional and ethical commitment to 11 deliver essential health care; and

12 WHEREAS, The purpose of National Nurses Week is to raise 13 public awareness of the value of nursing and to help educate 14 the public about the vital role registered nurses play in 15 meeting the health care needs of the American people; and

16 WHEREAS, On Saturday, May 7, 2005, the Illinois Nurses 17 Association will hold its second annual celebration, including 18 a parade and Nurses Day Rally to be held in Chicago; therefore, 19 be it

20 BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF RESOLVED, THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 21 22 we honor the nurses of the State of Illinois for their endless 23 hours of devotion to the needs of men, women, and children 24 throughout Illinois on the occasion of National Nurses Week; and be it further 25

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Illinois Nurses Association as an expression of our respect and esteem for all those in the nursing profession.