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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, It is the privilege of this Body to recognize  
3 academic accomplishments of citizens of this State; and

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WHEREAS, Danville Area Community College student Hope  
5 Marie Albin Dykes was recently named the only Lincoln Academy  
6 Student Laureate for the entire Illinois Community College  
7 system, chosen to represent the nearly 1 million Illinois  
8 community college students; and

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10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Dykes is actively involved at her school and  
11 is a member and president of Phi Theta Kappa, the international  
12 honor society, which requires a grade point average of 4.50 to  
be a member; and

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14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Dykes has overcome much adversity during her  
15 life; because of family difficulties, she has lived on her own  
16 since she was 15, and she is diagnosed with type 1 diabetes;  
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18 WHEREAS, In addition to her devotion to academics, she  
19 ardently works to help others, which she considers her mission;  
20 she enjoys working with Phi Theta Kappa on its many community  
21 service projects, especially in relation to the American Cancer  
22 Society; she also serves on committees for the Relay for Life  
23 and the First Night Danville celebration; in addition, she  
24 mentored two school-age girls who also have type 1 diabetes;  
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26 WHEREAS, She is married to her husband, Colby, and is  
27 especially proud of her relationship with her siblings, Noah  
28 and Holly; her father has been a huge support for her and her  
29 grandpa, Benny Albin, was the biggest influence on her life;  
therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
2           NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
3           we congratulate Hope Marie Albin Dykes on being named the only  
4           Lincoln Academy Student Laureate for the entire Illinois  
5           Community College system; and be it further

6           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
7           presented to Ms. Dykes as an expression of our deepest respect  
8           and esteem and with best wishes for her continued success.