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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate Dr. H. Goff Thompson on the occasion of being named the 2007 Rural Practitioner of the Year by the Illinois Rural Health Association; and

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WHEREAS, The Illinois Rural Health Association is a membership-based, collaborative association committed to strengthening health systems for rural residents and communities through advocacy, education, networking, and leadership; the Rural Practitioner of the Year Award was created by the IRHA to honor a rural practitioner who has gone beyond community expectations to meet the needs of its residents; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. H. Goff Thompson is a physician with St. Mary's Good Samaritan Medical Group; he has been the medical director of many area nursing homes and of Vantage Point, a position he held for 27 years; he has also been director of the St. Mary's Good Samaritan physical rehabilitation program for 32 years; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. H. Goff Thompson became a charter member of the American Board of Family Practice in 1970; he is currently

1 recertified until 2009; he received a Certificate of Added
2 Qualifications in Geriatric Medicine as a charter member in
3 1988 and is currently recertified until 2008; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. H. Goff Thompson is a lifelong resident of
5 Mount Vernon; his father and grandfather were both area
6 physicians, a factor that influenced his decision to serve his
7 community; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. H. Goff Thompson's dedication to his
9 profession has truly been a model for the people of the State
10 of Illinois; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
13 congratulate Dr. H. Goff Thompson on the occasion of being
14 named the 2007 Rural Practitioner of the Year by the Illinois
15 Rural Health Association and wish him continued success and
16 happiness in the future; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to Dr. H. Goff Thompson as a symbol of our esteem and
19 respect.