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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Caren Nickelsen on
4 the occasion of being named as the Woman of the Year by the
5 Altrusa International Club of Elgin; and

6 WHEREAS, The Altrusa International Club of Elgin presents
7 the Woman of the Year Award to those women who best embody the
8 Altrusa Keys of Altruism, Loyalty, Talent, Reciprocity, Unity,
9 Service, and Achievement; and

10 WHEREAS, Caren Nickelsen has been an active member in her
11 community; she is a Board Member of the Elgin Community College
12 Foundation and is involved in all of the foundation's special
13 events; she is involved with numerous special events in the
14 greater Elgin area, including the Gail Borden Library's Abe
15 Lincoln fundraising event; she is the founder, president, and
16 long-time board member of Elgin Enrichment Series, which has
17 brought people of notoriety, arts, and culture to Elgin for 10
18 years; and

19 WHEREAS, Caren Nickelsen is a longtime member and has
20 served as president of the Elgin PEO group; she is a member of
21 the University of Illinois President's Council, the North Park
22 University President's Club, an emeritus and charity ball

1 chairperson of the Fideliter Club, and an auxiliary member of
2 Sherman Hospital; in addition, she is a member and has served
3 as banquet chairperson of the Wesley United Methodist Church;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Caren Nickelsen is a member of the Elgin Symphony
6 Orchestra 50th Anniversary Gala committee and has volunteered
7 for the Jayne Shover Easter Seal telethon for many years; she
8 served as the chair for many YMCA events, including the Leader
9 Luncheon and individual awards; she is a member of the Larkin
10 Parents's Association and the Elgin Academy Board of Trustees,
11 and serves as an instructor for the YMCA Indochinese Refugee
12 Program - English as a Second Language; and

13 WHEREAS, In addition to her voluminous body of volunteer
14 work, Caren Nickelsen works with her husband in his long-time
15 Elgin pediatric practice; she is a caring mother to three adult
16 children and a proud grandmother, fundraiser, and friend; and

17 WHEREAS, Caren Nickelsen's devotion, dedication,
18 leadership skills, giving and unselfish nature, wisdom, and
19 ability to succeed make her supremely qualified for both the
20 Woman of the Year Award and the respect of the people of the
21 State of Illinois; therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

1 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
2 congratulate Caren Nickelsen on the occasion of being named as
3 the Woman of the Year by the Altrusa International Club of
4 Elgin and wish her continued success and happiness in the
5 future; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to Caren Nickelsen as a symbol of our esteem and
8 respect.