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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to honor Dr. Gloria Jackson Bacon as founder of TCA Health, Incorporated; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Gloria Jackson Bacon was born in New Orleans; her education began in New Orleans, and continued at Xavier University where she received her B.S. degree in Pre-Med; she was admitted to medical school at Howard University, completing the first two years there before transferring to the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Chicago where she received her M.D. degree (and later an M.P.H. degree); and

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WHEREAS, Upon the completion of a rotating internship, she began practice on the west side of Chicago in a very busy office; after one year in that setting, she was introduced to the Altgeld Gardens community,) where she spent the next thirty-five years organizing and operating the Clinic in Altgeld, Incorporated (now TCA Health, Incorporated, Chicago); and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Jackson Bacon was an elected official of the State of Illinois, serving on the Board of Trustees for the University of Illinois; in addition to her great dedication to the practice of medicine, she has often used the medium of

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1 poetry to speak of injustices and record observations noted in
2 life; she has three published volumes of poetry; and

3 WHEREAS, During the past decade, she resumed singing; a
4 mezzo-soprano, she has thrilled audiences at major concert
5 halls and cathedrals around the country; and

6 WHEREAS, Since leaving the daily practice of medicine, Dr.
7 Bacon developed the Institute for Black Women, Inc. and Project
8 18; the Institute for Black Women, Inc., in conjunction with
9 Malcolm X College, developed A Series of Symposia on issues
10 relevant to women in celebration of Women's Month in 2003 and
11 2004; presentations are scheduled to be an annual event each
12 March; Project 18, A Concept of Urban Education, seeks to
13 empower parents with the tools needed to inspire and guide
14 their children towards achieving success; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
16 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
17 congratulate and thank Dr. Gloria Jackson Bacon for her years
18 of commitment to the needs of others; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to Dr. Gloria Jackson Bacon as a symbol of our
21 respect and esteem.