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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Joanne True of Lake  
4 Villa for her 25 years of dedicated service with the Soil &  
5 Water Conservation District (SWCD) of Lake County; and

6           WHEREAS, Joanne True was hired as District Secretary for  
7 the Lake County SWCD in March of 1984; she was promoted to the  
8 position of District Manager in 1994; and

9           WHEREAS, Under Joanne True's guidance and leadership, the  
10 Lake County SWCD has become a leader in conservation, carrying  
11 out the goals of wise natural resource management and  
12 environmental education; the district has sponsored programs  
13 such as annual plant and fish sales, conservation education  
14 grants to schools, third grade tree seedling distribution, soil  
15 boring, and Envirothon competition, all of which have  
16 flourished under Ms. True's leadership; she has also been  
17 instrumental in keeping the District functioning in the absence  
18 of federal funding and has secured working contracts with the  
19 Army Corps of Engineers and the IEPA to address urban issues,  
20 such as construction site erosion and sediment control; and

21           WHEREAS, Joanne True has consistently been an uplifting  
22 presence for the personnel at the SWCD; she has promoted a

1 happy, open, joyful, and family-like atmosphere throughout the  
2 district's office and has made many life-long friends from  
3 staff members throughout the years; and

4 WHEREAS, Joanne True has been supported in her conservation  
5 career by her loving family, including her husband, Benjamin;  
6 her daughters, Wendy Friedle and Andrea True-Kelly; her  
7 sons-in-law, Al Friedle and Chuck Kelly; her mother, Mary  
8 Gronka; her father, Joseph Russ; and her grandchildren, Brett,  
9 Eve, and Ethan; and

10 WHEREAS, Joanne True serves as a model of hard work,  
11 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of  
12 Illinois; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
14 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
15 congratulate Joanne True for her 25 years of dedicated service  
16 with the Soil & Water Conservation District of Lake County and  
17 wish her continued success and happiness in the future; and be  
18 it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
20 presented to Joanne True as a symbol of our esteem and respect.