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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 of the Illinois WHEREAS, The members House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Rosalind 4 Kline-Thomas on the occasion of earning the Golden Apple Award 5 for Teaching Excellence from the Golden Apple Foundation; and

6 WHEREAS, Since 1986, the Golden Apple Foundation has 7 recognized outstanding Chicago-area educators who make a 8 difference in the lives of their students; and

9 WHEREAS, Rosalind Kline-Thomas earned a bachelor's degree 10 in mechanical engineering from the Georgia Institute of 11 Technology and a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Spelman 12 College; she is also a graduate of the School of Education and 13 Social Policy's NU-TEACH alternative certification program and 14 a current student in the Master of Science in Education 15 program; and

16 WHEREAS, Rosalind Kline-Thomas is a former corporate buyer 17 and engineering major; with the help of the NU-TEACH program, 18 she gave up a successful career in the corporate world and 19 changed careers in order to fulfill a lifelong dream of 20 becoming a teacher; she currently serves as a mathematics 21 teacher and chair of the math department at the Michele Clark 22 Academic Prep High School in Chicago; and WHEREAS, Rosalind Kline-Thomas received the prestigious
Golden Apple Award in only her 2nd year of teaching, a
testament to her dedication and talent; and

WHEREAS, As a Golden Apple Award recipient, Rosalind Kline-Thomas will receive a tuition-free, 6-month sabbatical to study at Northwestern University and a \$3,000 cash award; she will also become a fellow of the Golden Apple Academy of Educators; and

9 WHEREAS, Rosalind Kline-Thomas serves as a model of hard 10 work, integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of 11 Illinois; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 13 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 14 congratulate Rosalind Kline-Thomas on the occasion of earning 15 the Golden Apple Award and wish her 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 Rosalind Kline-Thomas as a symbol of our esteem 19 and respect.