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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate and thank Nora
4 Power for her work with UNICEF and many other community
5 organizations; and

6 WHEREAS, Nora Power's interest in UNICEF began when she saw
7 a commercial about children in Africa who did not have enough
8 to eat, proper medical attention, or the opportunity to go to
9 school; after the commercial, she wondered why the kids could
10 not go to school and why their parents did not feed them;
11 inspired by her strong sense of right and wrong, she came up
12 with the idea to ask the people she knew to donate one dollar
13 toward changing a child's life forever; and

14 WHEREAS, Nora Power originally intended to raise \$300, an
15 amount that would support one child for a year; through her
16 fundraising efforts and a speech that she gave to the entire
17 school at morning announcements and during the students' lunch
18 periods, as well as enlisting the help of the local PTA, Nora
19 easily raised this amount; instead of being content with
20 raising this amount, however, Nora decided to raise \$900, which
21 would support three children for a year; and

22 WHEREAS, With her new goal of \$900 in mind, Nora Power took

1 her speech to her Brownie Scout Troop and asked for their help;
2 she went door-to-door to her neighbors and made an announcement
3 at her neighborhood block party; she also told her doctors, her
4 dentist, her therapists, and everyone she met about UNICEF and
5 the children who need help; after beginning her campaign in the
6 early spring of 2nd grade, she had raised \$1,400 by the
7 beginning of 3rd grade; and

8 WHEREAS, Emboldened and empowered by her experience with
9 raising money for UNICEF, Nora Power now seeks to continue
10 helping those in need; currently mulling her options, she has
11 expressed an interest in wildlife projects in the Gulf of
12 Mexico and the pandas of China; and

13 WHEREAS, Nora Power has served as an inspiration to many;
14 following her example, some of the librarians at her local
15 public library were inspired to go assist Nora in packing meals
16 for Feed My Starving Children; she also inspired one of the
17 library's youth librarians to take a trip to help the children
18 of Bangladesh; and

19 WHEREAS, Nora Power serves as a model of hard work,
20 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
21 Illinois; therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

1 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
2 we congratulate and thank Nora Power for her work in her
3 community and the world at large and wish her the best in her
4 future endeavors; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to Nora Power as a symbol of our esteem and respect.