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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Carol Johnson on
4 the occasion of receiving the "2014 Best School Blood Drive
5 Coordinator Award" from the Illinois Coalition of Community
6 Blood Centers; and

7 WHEREAS, In 1997, Carol Johnson began overseeing the
8 organization of annual blood drives at Harlem High School in
9 Machesney Park; and

10 WHEREAS, Due to Carol Johnson's success, the school began
11 to hold semi-annual blood drives, with some of the drives being
12 2 days long; and

13 WHEREAS, Carol Johnson has been a huge advocate for "Be the
14 Match", encouraging her students to participate in the world's
15 largest bone marrow registry, which links patients to
16 compatible donors; and

17 WHEREAS, Carol Johnson has embraced the advanced
18 technology that has allowed for double red cells to be
19 collected at mobile drives; because of her, many students have
20 been double red donors; and

1 WHEREAS, Carol Johnson works to ensure each individual
2 donor is recognized by making seasonal decorations with each
3 donor's name on it, which are displayed in the school; and

4 WHEREAS, Following Carol Johnson's retirement in 2008, she
5 continued to organize the school's blood drives and has been
6 responsible for the collection of well over 2,000 units of
7 blood at Harlem High School; and

8 WHEREAS, The results of Carol's efforts will continue to be
9 seen for years to come because of the critical role school
10 blood drives play in cultivating lifetime donors; therefore, be
11 it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
14 we commend Carol Johnson for her selfless service to her
15 community and her strong commitment to her students; and be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to Carol Johnson as a symbol of our respect and
19 esteem.