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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Southern Illinois 4 University men's basketball head coach Barry Hinson on the 5 occasion of being named as the Missouri Valley Conference Coach 6 of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Barry Hinson is a 13-year veteran of the Missouri Valley Conference; he coached for nine seasons at Missouri State University and is in his fourth year at Southern Illinois University; and

WHEREAS, Under Barry Hinson's leadership, the Salukis have been the comeback story of the 2015-2016 season; picked to finish ninth in the preseason poll, they posted an 11-2 non-conference record and an 11-7 league mark to finish tied for fourth place with the University of Northern Iowa; the team's 22 wins are the most since the 2007 Salukis team won 29 games and advanced to the Sweet 16; with a 22-9 overall record, Southern Illinois University posted its first winning season since 2008; and

20 WHEREAS, Barry Hinson's name is synonymous with the 21 Missouri Valley Conference; with a 231-183 overall mark and a 22 125-109 record in conference games, he is the fourth all-time

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- 1 coach in total wins and seasons as a league head coach; he is
- 2 also 13-11 in his 12 trips to Arch Madness and is the fifth
- 3 Saluki coach to win MVC Coach of the Year honors; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Barry Hinson edged out Wichita State University
- 5 head coach Gregg Marshall in the vote with 84 total points to
- 6 Marshall's 81 points to be named as the Missouri Valley
- 7 Conference Coach of the Year; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Barry Hinson serves as a model of hard work,
- 9 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
- 10 Illinois; therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 12 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- congratulate Barry Hinson on the occasion of being named as the
- 14 Missouri Valley Conference Coach of the Year and wish him
- 15 continued success and happiness in the future; and be it
- 16 further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 18 presented to Barry Hinson as a symbol of our esteem and
- 19 respect.