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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to commend and applaud Patty Ryan for her
4 great dedication and her many significant achievements; and

5 WHEREAS, Saint Ignatius College Prep, a Jesuit Catholic
6 school in the heart of Chicago, is a diverse community
7 dedicated to educating young men and women for lives of faith,
8 love, service, and leadership; and

9 WHEREAS, Through outstanding teaching and personal
10 formation, Saint Ignatius College Prep challenges its talented
11 student body to intellectual excellence, integrity, and
12 lifelong learning and growth; and

13 WHEREAS, Patty Ryan is an esteemed alumni of Saint Ignatius
14 College Prep, embodying wholeheartedly the belief that the
15 Saint Ignatius graduate will examine his or her religious
16 feelings and beliefs with a view to adhering to her faith's
17 choice of a fundamental orientation toward God and establishing
18 a relationship with a religious tradition and community; and

19 WHEREAS, Patty Ryan believes in taking more responsibility
20 for exploring, confirming, and living out her own faith; she
21 embodies a core tenant of her faith by continuing to move

1 beyond self-interest or self-centeredness in her relationships
2 with others; and

3 WHEREAS, Patty Ryan demonstrates herself to be a person for
4 others in the Jesuit tradition and encourages her players and
5 students to be men and women for others; and

6 WHEREAS, As a Saint Ignatius College Prep alumni, Patty
7 Ryan accepts the charge of her faith to embrace intentional
8 responsibility for her own growth and to risk deeper levels of
9 relationship in which one discloses self, accepts the mystery
10 of another person, and cherishes that person; she has also
11 achieved considerable knowledge of some of the many needs of
12 local and wider communities and has taken a place in these
13 communities as a competent, concerned, and responsible member;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Patty Ryan continues to exhibit personal growth of
16 mastery of intellectual integrity in her personal quest for the
17 truth of her religious beliefs and her response to issues of
18 social justice; and

19 WHEREAS, Patty Ryan was an esteemed participant on the
20 Saint Ignatius Wolfpack Girls Varsity Volleyball Team and
21 started all four years of high school on the Varsity Team; and

1 WHEREAS, Patty Ryan was an All-State volleyball stand-out
2 at Saint Ignatius College Prep, with some of her
3 accomplishments including Saint Ignatius Team MVP (1994),
4 All-Division and All-Conference for the Girls Catholic
5 Athletic Conference (1991-1994), Chicago Sun Times All-Area
6 Team (1994), Chicago Tribune All-Area Team (1994), and
7 induction into the Girls Catholic Athletic Conference Hall of
8 Fame (2011-2012); and

9 WHEREAS, After graduating from Saint Ignatius College
10 Prep, Patty Ryan went on to earn a full-ride volleyball
11 scholarship from Loyola University Chicago; during her senior
12 year at Loyola University Chicago, she was named Player of the
13 Year in that athletic conference; and

14 WHEREAS, As a Saint Ignatius Varsity assistant varsity
15 volleyball coach, Patty Ryan endeavors to develop student
16 athletes not only on the court, but off the court as well, and
17 to help them learn self-discipline, perseverance, hard work, a
18 sense of personal and school pride, and personal integrity; and

19 WHEREAS, Over the past 16 years, Patty Ryan helped lead the
20 Saint Ignatius Wolfpack Varsity Volleyball team to 10 IHSA
21 Regional Championships, three IHSA Sectional Championships,
22 five IHSA Sweet Sixteen appearances, and one Girls Athletic
23 Conference Championship; under her leadership, the team beat

1 the Mother McAuley Mighty Macs for the first time in Saint
2 Ignatius school history; and

3 WHEREAS, Patty Ryan has recently been informed of her
4 successful nomination for induction into the Saint Ignatius
5 Hall of Fame; and

6 WHEREAS, Patty Ryan's husband Michael and her children,
7 Abby, Kelly, Mikey, and Patrick, are abundantly proud of her
8 achievements; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
10 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
11 commend and applaud Patty Ryan for her great dedication and
12 many significant achievements and wish her great success and
13 happiness in the future; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
15 presented to Patty Ryan as a symbol of our esteem and respect.