

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to recognize notable achievements of  
4 citizens of the State of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that J. Paul Deaton  
6 was the recent recipient of the Jefferson County Chamber of  
7 Commerce Student of the Year Award; and

8 WHEREAS, A student at Mt. Vernon Township High School, J.  
9 Paul Deaton began his community service at the age of five,  
10 becoming active in sports; he has participated in Youth Works  
11 Mission Trips, American Red Cross Blood Drives, Angels on  
12 Assignment, Habitat for Humanity, Cedarhurst Craft Fair, the  
13 city-wide clean-up, Christmas Baskets for the Needy, Special  
14 Olympics, and Toys for Tots; in addition, he served as a  
15 basketball referee for DARE 3 on 3, and has participated in  
16 several YMCA and church activities; and

17 WHEREAS, J. Paul Deaton has been active in Student  
18 Council and Fellowship of Christian Athletes during his four  
19 years at Mt. Vernon Township High School; he has also  
20 participated in Youth and Government, WITT (We're in This  
21 Together), the freshman orientation committee, the A Capella  
22 Choir, varsity basketball, the high school operetta, and the  
23 National Honor Society; and

24 WHEREAS, J. Paul Deaton plans for the future include  
25 focusing on the health care field at a four-year university;  
26 he is the son of Bill and Becky Deaton; therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
28 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
29 we congratulate J. Paul Deaton on receiving the Jefferson  
30 County Chamber of Commerce Student of the Year Award; and be  
31 it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2   presented to J. Paul Deaton as an expression of our esteem.