

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are proud to congratulate Virginia A. Rugai  
4 of Chicago on becoming the Mt. Greenwood Civic Association's  
5 Woman of the Year for 2002; and

6 WHEREAS, Virginia Rugai has been the alderman of  
7 Chicago's 19th Ward for over 12 years serving on various  
8 committees, including Energy, Environmental Protection,  
9 Public Utilities (chairperson), Police and Fire  
10 (vice-chairperson), Rules and Ethics, and Human Relations;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Ms. Rugai, a 12-year survivor of breast cancer,  
13 is Past President of the Y-ME National Breast Cancer  
14 Organization; she is a member of the Little Company of Mary  
15 Hospital Foundation Board, the St. Xavier University  
16 President's Advisory Council, Vice President of the Irish  
17 Fellowship Club of Chicago, Kiwanis, Brother Rice High School  
18 Board of Directors, and the Beverly Art Center; she was  
19 appointed to Richard M. Daley's Task Force on Women's Health  
20 and the Cook County Women's Commission; and

21 WHEREAS, Ms. Rugai began her career as an English teacher  
22 at Queen Peace High School with a bachelor of science from  
23 Loyola University; before becoming an Alderman, she served as  
24 Assistant to the Director of the Beverly Area Planning  
25 Association, was a member of the Illinois Senate Staff, and  
26 an Administrative Aid to State Senator Jeremiah Joyce; and

27 WHEREAS, During her 25 years of community service, Ms.  
28 Rugai has served as a volunteer member and/or chaired  
29 committees on the Far Southwest Mental Health Council, the  
30 Beverly Family Center, the Ridge Park Advisory Council,  
31 Marist High School Mother's Club, Mt. Carmel Women's Club,  
32 St. Ignatius Mother's Club, the Beverly Improvement

1 Association, and Christ the King's Altar Guild; and

2 WHEREAS, Throughout her outstanding career of public  
3 service, Virginia A. Rugai has had the love and support of  
4 her family, which includes her husband, attorney Ado L.  
5 Rugai, her sons Michael (Sally) and Robert (Brenda), and her  
6 daughter, Karen; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
8 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
9 we congratulate Virginia A. Rugai on becoming the Mt.  
10 Greenwood Civic Association's 2002 Woman of the Year and wish  
11 her all the best in the future; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to Virginia A. Rugai as an expression of our  
14 esteem.