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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 representatives wish to congratulate Sunrise of Gurnee on 4 earning the Gold-Excellence in Quality Award; and

WHEREAS, The American Health Care Association National Center for Assisted Living National Quality Award Program provides a pathway for providers of long-term and post-acute care services to journey towards performance excellence; the program is based on the core values and criteria of the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program; and

WHEREAS, The three progressive levels of awards are the Bronze-Commitment to Quality, the Silver-Achievement in Quality, and the Gold-Excellence in Quality; each level has its own distinct rigors and requirements for quality and performance excellence; and

WHEREAS, Since earning the Bronze Quality Award in 2015, Sunrise of Gurnee has achieved two important milestones; the community was one of the first four Sunrise communities to achieve Silver in 2016, and one of the first two assisted living communities nationwide to achieve Gold; and

WHEREAS, Sunrise of Gurnee has increased their team member

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- retention throughout their quality journey; since 2013, they 1
- 2 have demonstrated their commitment to staff development
- 3 through the promotion of many team members within Sunrise
- Senior Living; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Sunrise of Gurnee implemented a buddy system for
- 6 team members, which has increased engagement and morale,
- 7 contributing to the overall positive culture of its community;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, As a result of its consistent, quality care,
- 10 Sunrise of Gurnee has achieved a reduction in its hospital
- readmission rate; and 11
- 12 WHEREAS, Preparing the Gold application helped Sunrise of
- 13 Gurnee's community embrace a systematic, evidence-based
- 14 approach to person-centered care; the collaboration and
- exchange of critical information across departments enabled it 15
- 16 to identify ways to help enhance quality outcomes; gathering
- the various success stories for the application process 17
- strengthened the team's pride in the achievement of differences 18
- 19 they have made in the lives of its residents; therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 21 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 22 congratulate Sunrise of Gurnee on receiving the

- 1 Gold-Excellence in Quality Award given by the American Health
- 2 Care Association National Center for Assisted Living Quality
- 3 Award Program; and be it further
- 4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 5 presented to Sunrise of Gurnee as an expression of our esteem
- 6 and respect.