



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the
3 State of Illinois congratulate the Libertyville High School
4 Mock Trial Team for its achievement in its inaugural year of
5 reaching the Illinois State Mock Trial Tournament held the
6 weekend of March 3 and 4, 2006; and

7 WHEREAS, The Illinois State Bar Association has
8 administered the Illinois High School Mock Trial Competition
9 for many years, affording students at the high school level the
10 opportunity to argue a civil or criminal trial before judges in
11 regional competitions throughout Illinois, preparatory to the
12 State Competition in Springfield; and

13 WHEREAS, Libertyville High School owes the creation of its
14 Mock Trial Team to the efforts of Daniel Porter, a 2005 senior
15 who persevered in convincing the administration of District 128
16 that a Mock Trial Team would find a constituency within the
17 student body; and

18 WHEREAS, The Libertyville High School Mock Trial Team did
19 in fact attract some of the best and brightest of the high
20 school, including freshmen students Amanda Muskat and Jessica
21 Pacholski; sophomore students Thomas Lehn and Katherine
22 Morton; junior Taylor O'Brien; and seniors Daniel Porter,
23 Anthony Marcheschi, Michael Ding, and Sean Clement; and

24 WHEREAS, Faculty sponsor and attorney coach Dennis J. Duffy
25 was joined by George Strickland, the head of the Criminal
26 Prosecution Division of the Office of the Lake County State's
27 Attorney, whose assistance in preparing the Team for
28 competition was indispensable; and

29 WHEREAS, The skills developed by participants on the
30 Libertyville High School Mock Trial Team include public

1 speaking, critical thinking and analysis, and self possession
2 and confidence that will serve them into college and beyond;
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
5 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
6 we recognize the talent and ability of these students and their
7 coaches and we congratulate them on their achievement of
8 reaching the ISBA Mock Trial State Tournament; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to Libertyville High School as an expression of our
12 esteem and with best wishes for continued academic success in
13 the future.