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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

national levels; and

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WHEREAS, Women In Government Foundation, Inc. was started 2 3 in 1988 as a nonprofit, nonpartisan, nationwide organization to 4 serve women state legislators and to provide leadership 5 opportunities, networking, expert forums, and educational 6 resources to address and resolve complex policy issues; and 7 WHEREAS, Women In Government began and continues to work in 8 a non-partisan manner to serve all women legislators; and WHEREAS, In 1998, there were 1,176 women serving in their 9 10 state legislatures, making up only 15.8% of state legislators; today, there are 1,788 women legislators, making up 24.2% of 11 12 state legislators; and 13 WHEREAS, Women In Government has served thousands of bold and passionate legislative leaders in all 50 states; and 14 15 WHEREAS, Women In Government leads the nation with a bold, 16 courageous, and passionate vision that empowers and mobilizes 17 all women legislators to effect sound policy; and WHEREAS, Women In Government has worked extensively to 18 19 advance policy for improvements at the local, state, and

- 1 WHEREAS, Women In Government provides a neutral platform
- 2 for bringing women policymakers together to share information
- 3 and seek solutions to timely issues; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Women In Government holds over 20 educational
- 5 conferences a year on a myriad of public policy issues for
- 6 women state legislators; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Women In Government's website hosts several
- 8 Policy Resource Centers that address childhood obesity, care
- 9 coordination, public health, pulmonary hypertension,
- 10 biomedical policy, oncology, diabetes, economic security and
- 11 opportunities, and autoimmune diseases; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Women In Government has been recognized and
- 13 received numerous accolades for policy work in health care,
- 14 energy, family and child welfare, public health, and education;
- 15 and
- 16 WHEREAS, Women In Government will continue to assist and
- 17 educate women leaders on current policy issues through
- 18 nationwide conferences, workshops, summits, public service
- 19 announcements, toolkits, policy resource centers, and other
- 20 resources; therefore, be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 2 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 3 we recognize Women In Government Foundation, Inc. and their
- 4 current 1,788 women state legislative members on their
- 5 outstanding work to promote policy education across the nation;
- 6 and be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 8 presented to the Women In Government Foundation, Inc.