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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

Incorporated; and

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- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to commend Dr. Ruby E. Roberson Ed.D. for 4 her extraordinary career as an educator and her profound, 5 sustained, and impactful work with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,
- WHEREAS, Dr. Roberson has demonstrated a notable and decades-long commitment to education and community service, distinguishing herself as a well-respected leader in the State of Illinois; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Dr. Roberson's exceptional career in education 12 spanned over thirty years, during which she served as a 13 dedicated Head Start Director, an elementary school classroom 14 teacher, a reading specialist, an assistant principal, a 15 principal, and a district superintendent, serving Chicago 16 Public Schools and Dolton West School District 148; and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Roberson's passion for learning and dedication to academic excellence is evidenced by her extensive educational achievements, including a Bachelor of Arts from Western Illinois University, a Master of Early Childhood Education from the Erikson Institute, a Master of Educational Leadership from Governors State University, and a

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- 1 Doctorate in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies from
- 2 Loyola University of Chicago; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Dr. Roberson is a devoted member of Alpha Kappa
- 4 Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, having been initiated into the
- 5 Gamma Psi Chapter at Texas Southern University on December 13,
- 6 1969; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Dr. Roberson, upon transferring to Western
- 8 Illinois University in Macomb and finding no active chapter,
- 9 undertook the ambitious mission of expanding the sorority's
- 10 footprint, culminating in her becoming a charter member of the
- 11 Zeta Iota Chapter on February 20, 1971; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Dr. Roberson has continued her exemplary service
- 13 through the Lambda Tau Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha
- 14 Sorority, Incorporated, joining in 2011 and serving in
- 15 numerous vital roles, including as December Luncheon Chairman,
- 16 Cotillion Chairman, Chapter Newsletter Editor, and Chapter
- 17 Historian; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Dr. Roberson's dedication and leadership were
- 19 further recognized when she graciously served as the 22nd
- 20 president of the Lambda Tau Omega Chapter; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Dr. Roberson's outstanding contributions to the

- 1 chapter and the community have been consistently acknowledged
- 2 by her peers, who honored her as Silver Soror of the Year
- 3 (2017), Soror of the Year (2018), and Golden Soror of the Year
- 4 (2019); therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 6 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 7 we commend Dr. Ruby E. Roberson Ed.D. for her extraordinary
- 8 career as an educator and her profound, sustained, and
- 9 impactful work with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated;
- 10 and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to Dr. Roberson as a token of our respect and esteem.