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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is important to honor those who served in the 3 Armed Forces of the United States and to honor those who serve 4 those who protected our nation; and

5 WHEREAS, Established in 1914, the Veterans of Foreign Wars 6 of the United States Auxiliary was formed to serve the 7 veterans of this country and to serve our communities in honor 8 of the sacrifices and the commitment of every man and woman who 9 has served in uniform; and

10 WHEREAS, The VFW Auxiliary is one of the nation's oldest 11 veterans' service organizations with members consisting of 12 relatives of those who served in a location of foreign 13 conflict; nearly 470,000 members in more than 3,600 14 auxiliaries nationwide volunteer millions of hours and raise millions of dollars to fund charitable projects that benefit 15 veterans, military service personnel, and their families; and 16

WHEREAS, Jean Hamil of Orlando, Florida was elected to the office of National President of the VFW of the United States Auxiliary at its 108th National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri; and

21 WHEREAS, A Life Member of East Seminole County Auxiliary

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1 10139, Jean Hamil joined on the eligibility of her father,
George W. Nunnery, a Korean War veteran who served in the U.S.
Navy from 1952 to 1973; and

4 WHEREAS, Jean Hamil has served the Auxiliary in several 5 capacities, including as Auxiliary, District, and Department (state) President; on the national level, she has served as 6 7 National Guard, National Chaplain, National Conductress, National Junior Vice-President, National 8 Senior 9 Vice-President, National District Council Member, and National 10 Director of the Membership Program; she is a Life Member of the VFW National Home for Children and a member of the Military 11 Order of the Cootie Auxiliary (MOCA); and 12

13 WHEREAS, Jean Hamil is employed as a manager of Food 14 Safety & Environmental Compliance for A. Duda & Sons, Inc.; 15 and

16 WHEREAS, In her spare time, Jean Hamil enjoys quilting, 17 spending time with friends, and traveling; she belongs to a 18 small group of "Quilting Angels" who make quilts for veterans 19 at the Orlando VA Healthcare Center, Quilts of Valor-Orange 20 and Seminole counties, and for children temporarily located at 21 Safe House and seniors in Seminole County; and

WHEREAS, Jean Hamil has dedicated her life to the VFW and

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Auxiliary members working together to provide service to those
who defended our nation; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 4 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 5 we commend Jean Hamil on her service as the National President 6 of the VFW of the United States Auxiliary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
presented to Jean Hamil as a symbol of our esteem and respect.