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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives recognize that the month of March is Women's 4 History Month and wish to highlight the accomplishments of 5 women in our state; and

WHEREAS, Rose Leedle has been selected to serve as president of the Illinois State Beekeepers Association for 2022, making her the first female to be elected in this leadership role; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois State Beekeepers Association was organized in 1891; over the past 131 years, the association has developed a strong working relationship with local beekeeping associations throughout the State and the Illinois Department of Agriculture and has made positive contributions to the agricultural sector throughout the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Rose Leedle is the owner and operator of Leedle-Houme Bees, located at 2713 State Highway 14 in Mulkeytown in the 117th district in Southern Illinois, a region which is home to some of the richest agricultural products in the country; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Rose Leedle operates Leedle-Houme Bees as a 2 family-owned business alongside her husband, Doug Leedle, and 3 their three sons, Josh, Andy, and Matt; with her family, she 4 conducts beekeeping classes in the area and in their bee yard 5 and
- WHEREAS, Rose Leedle loves teaching others about the necessity of bees and the art of beekeeping; therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
 9 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
 10 we congratulate Rose Leedle on the occasion of her election as
 11 the first female president of the Illinois State Beekeepers
 12 Association; and be it further
 - RESOLVED, That we commend the Illinois State Beekeepers
 Association and all beekeeping operations in the State of
 Illinois for their significant contributions to the betterment
 of agriculture in our state; and be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 18 presented to Rose Leedle as an expression of our esteem and 19 respect.