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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

members of the Illinois House 2 WHEREAS, The of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Debra Ward-Mitchell on 4 the occasion of being named by the National Education Association as the Education Support Professional of the Year 5 6 for 2022; and 7 WHEREAS, Debra Ward-Mitchell is a strong advocate for 8 Education Support Professionals, ensuring that they know their 9 value and worth and that the rest of the community recognizes 10 their contributions; and WHEREAS, Debra Ward-Mitchell has served Thornton Township 11 12 High School District 205 for 38 years; and 13 WHEREAS, Debra Ward-Mitchell has worked as a paraeducator in Thornton Township High School District 205 for 20 years, 14 15 serving students with behavioral disorders and helping them succeed; and 16 17 WHEREAS, Debra Ward-Mitchell has worked tirelessly to keep vulnerable students on track for graduation; and 18 19 WHEREAS, Debra Ward-Mitchell is an assistant director at 20 the Infant Care Center in District 205, where she provides

- 1 services for teen parents; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Debra Ward-Mitchell is an outstanding union
- 3 member, a passionate student advocate, and a powerful voice
- 4 for Education Support Professionals; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 6 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 7 we congratulate Debra Ward-Mitchell on being named the 2022
- 8 Education Support Professional of the Year by the National
- 9 Education Association, and we wish her many years of continued
- 10 advocacy and service; and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to Debra Ward-Mitchell as an expression of our
- 13 esteem and respect.