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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to commend Amir John Wahab, MD for receiving the 2023 Rural Physician Lifetime of Service Award from the Illinois Rural Health Association; and

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WHEREAS, One of the biggest healthcare challenges across our nation is the shortage of physicians who practice in rural settings; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Wahab graduated from the Ross University School of Medicine in 1992; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Wahab completed his residency at the Southern Illinois School of Medicine in Springfield in 1997; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Wahab began his career in medicine at Memorial Care in Lincoln in 1997; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Wahab has served in many leadership positions within the medical arena, including as medical director of Maple Ridge Nursing Home, co-director of the SIU Resident Rural Track Program, chair of the Lincoln Memorial Hospital Executive Committee, and vice-chair of Clinical Operations; and

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1 WHEREAS, Dr. Wahab is also an active member of his
2 community, serving on the Board of Directors for Lincoln
3 College and being involved in Lincoln's Christmas parade ever
4 year; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Wahab cultivates future practitioners'
6 interest in rural medicine by serving as an adjunct professor
7 to medical students at both the University of Illinois and
8 Southern Illinois University, as well as hosting high school
9 students for job shadowing opportunities at his practice; and

10 WHEREAS, When not practicing medicine, Dr. Wahab is quite
11 the outdoorsman and enjoys hunting a variety of wild game
12 during hunting season; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
14 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
15 we commend Amir John Wahab, MD for receiving the 2023 Rural
16 Physician Lifetime of Service Award from the Illinois Rural
17 Health Association; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, that we commend Dr. Wahab for his compassion and
19 dedication to his patients and for filling such a tremendous
20 void in rural medicine for over 25 years in central Illinois;
21 and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to Dr. Wahab as a symbol of our esteem and respect.