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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Sister Judith Ann Duvall
4 on the occasion of her retirement as Major Superior of the
5 Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis and Chairperson of
6 OSF HealthCare System; and

7 WHEREAS, Sister Judith Ann received a Bachelor of Science
8 in Nursing from Northern Illinois University in 1972, a Master
9 of Arts with a major in Catholic Doctrine from Saint John's
10 University in 1977, and a Bachelor of Science in Business
11 Administration and Management from Bradley University in 1982;
12 she also completed two graduate courses in basic pastoral
13 counseling skills at St. Francis Seminary; and

14 WHEREAS, Sister Judith Ann became a member of the Sisters
15 of the Third Order of St. Francis in 1967 and since that time
16 has served in many leadership roles, including Nursing
17 Supervisor, Director of Public Relations, Director of
18 Formation, and OSF Treasurer; and

19 WHEREAS, In 1988, Sister Judith Ann launched the Ministry
20 Development Program for OSF Leadership and Key Management; her
21 work in planning and implementing the program transformed the
22 culture of the OSF family, deepening leadership's

1 understanding of and commitment to the founding mission to
2 serve those in need of health care "with the greatest care and
3 love"; and

4 WHEREAS, Sister Judith Ann has served on the Board of
5 Directors of OSF HealthCare since 1989, as a member of the
6 Governing Board of the Sisters of the Third Order of St.
7 Francis since 1994, as the Chairperson of the OSF HealthCare
8 Foundation since 2000, and as Chairperson of the Executive
9 Committees of all OSF Boards since 2006; and

10 WHEREAS, Sister Judith Ann has presided over a period of
11 incredible growth and success for OSF HealthCare with a
12 Ministry that has increased from six hospitals in 2006 to
13 sixteen hospitals and soon a seventeenth by the end of this
14 year; under her leadership, OSF Healthcare has expanded into
15 the communities of Monmouth, Ottawa, Alton, Kewanee, Mendota,
16 Streator, Urbana, Danville, Evergreen Park, Princeton, Peru,
17 and Dixon; in addition, the number of OSF Mission Partners has
18 increased from 12,500 to more than 25,000 during her service
19 as Major Superior; and

20 WHEREAS, Sister Judith Ann has been the recipient of
21 numerous accolades, including the Pere Marquette Award in
22 2002, the Edythe A. Cohen Business and Industry Award in 2005,
23 the Northern Illinois University Alumni Association's

1 Outstanding College Award in 2006, the Chuck Schofield
2 Memorial Community Service Award in 2008, and an Honorary
3 Doctor of Humane Letters from Saint Anthony College of Nursing
4 in 2009; she was also inducted into the Honor Society of
5 Nursing Sigma Theta Tau International in 2007, was interviewed
6 for the documentary, Divine Prescription: When Faith and
7 Healthcare Meet, which aired on ABC-affiliated stations
8 throughout 2013, and was the recipient of the Pro Ecclesia et
9 Pontifice Cross by Pope Benedict XVI for dedication to
10 Catholic health care and heroic leadership in the religious
11 community; and

12 WHEREAS, Sister Judith Ann is retiring as Major Superior
13 of the Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis and
14 Chairperson of OSF HealthCare after providing more than six
15 decades of dedicated service; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
17 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
18 we congratulate Sister Judith Ann Duvall on her retirement as
19 Major Superior of the Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis
20 and Chairperson of OSF HealthCare, and we wish her the best in
21 all of her future endeavors; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
23 presented to Sister Judith Ann Duvall as a symbol of our esteem

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1 and respect.