

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Women's Bar Association of Illinois was  
3 founded in 1914 to ensure the success of women attorneys  
4 through business and professional development and to advocate  
5 for women's interests; and

6 WHEREAS, On June 5, 2003, the Women's Bar Association of  
7 Illinois will install Elizabeth Budzinski as its president;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Elizabeth received a bachelor of arts in English  
10 Literature from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, studying  
11 abroad at the University of Warwick in Coventry, England,  
12 where she immersed herself in literature, art, and traveled  
13 extensively throughout the European continent; and

14 WHEREAS, Elizabeth is a 1988 graduate of Chicago-Kent  
15 College of Law; and

16 WHEREAS, Upon graduation, Elizabeth entered practice at  
17 Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker LLP, representing  
18 defendants in the areas of employment discrimination, medical  
19 malpractice, Federal Debt Collection Practices Act cases,  
20 1983 Civil Rights actions, and general professional liability  
21 insurance matters, including coverage issues; and

22 WHEREAS, Elizabeth earned partnership in 1996, litigating  
23 countless cases to verdict regarding a variety of complex  
24 issues; and

25 WHEREAS, Elizabeth Budzinski was appointed associate  
26 judge in the Circuit Court of Cook County on April 22, 2003,  
27 following in her father's footsteps; and

28 WHEREAS, Elizabeth is an active member of the  
29 professional and civic community, serving on the Illinois  
30 State Bar Association Civil Practice and Procedure Section

1 Council and serving as a founding board member of i.c.stars,  
2 a not-for-profit organization that provides opportunities for  
3 inner-city young adults to harness the strength of technology  
4 for social and economic leadership; and

5 WHEREAS, Elizabeth has been an active and committed  
6 member of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois, chairing  
7 and co-chairing many of its significant events, and Elizabeth  
8 has dedicated herself to serving the advancement of women's  
9 issues and eagerly takes up the mantle of presidency of the  
10 Women's Bar Association of Illinois; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
12 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
13 we congratulate Elizabeth Budzinski on her installation as  
14 president of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois,  
15 thanking both for their continued outstanding public service;  
16 and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to Elizabeth Budzinski, President of the Women's  
19 Bar Association, 2003-2004.