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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois are pleased to congratulate Consolidated Community School District 15 (CCSD 15) of Palatine on being awarded the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award; and

WHEREAS, The Baldrige Award is given by the President of the United States to businesses, education, and health care organizations that apply and are judged to be outstanding in seven areas: leadership, strategic planning, customer and market focus, information and analysis, human resource focus, process management, and business results; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Congress established the award program in 1987 to recognize organizations for their achievements in quality and performance and to raise awareness about the importance of quality and performance excellence as a competitive edge; and

WHEREAS, Several years ago, CCSD 15 began a journey of continuous quality improvement centered on accountability to its constituents; as a framework for the district's efforts, the Board of Education and district administrators adopted the criteria of the Baldrige Award; the district is among only 3 other education organizations to win the Baldrige Award; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the process, CCSD 15 developed a mission, implemented multi-year strategic planning, maintained a high performing quality staff, set challenging goals, and was accountable to the community through feedback; the district paid special attention to aligning its mission, goals, and student performance targets; and

WHEREAS, The District 15 Board of Education enthusiastically endorsed the continuous improvement process

1 as a way to develop a world-class school system; members of the
2 superintendent's cabinet and others on the administrative team
3 took ownership of the Baldrige process and led the way to
4 implementing it across the entire district organization; and

5 WHEREAS, CCSD 15 has created a number of unique programs
6 designed to respond to the specific needs of various groups;
7 these range from the strategic planning process to reading
8 intervention programs, from on-time bus delivery to teacher
9 mentoring; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
11 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
12 congratulate the administrators, Board of Education, and the
13 entire staff of Consolidated Community School District 15 of
14 Palatine on being awarded the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality
15 Award; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to Consolidated Community School District 15 as an
18 expression of our esteem.