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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 3 State of Illinois are pleased to congratulate Dan Black on 4 being named Small Business Person of the Year by the Jefferson 5 County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Black is entering his 30th year in the commercial contracting industry; after graduating from the University of Missouri at Rolla, he spent the first 14 years of his career in Alaska working on various phases of the famous Alaska Pipeline; he returned to Illinois after many years to run the family business, Ray Black and Sons Construction; he is the Chairman and Chief Executive Office of the company; and

WHEREAS, In his role at Ray Black and Sons Construction, Mr. Black manages all parts of the company, including construction management of projects, development and leasing commercial properties, project estimating, subcontracting administration, jobsite supervision, cost and scheduling, advertising, banking, and insurance and bonding; the company was founded by Mr. Black's father in 1987; it employs approximately 50 individuals and has diversified by moving into real estate development; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Black was Founding President of the Alaska North Slope Contractors Association, Past President of the Alaska Support Industry Alliance, Optimist International Chaplain in Mt. Vernon, International Rotary Member, a 2-term Past President of the Jefferson County Camber of Commerce, Vice President of the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce Small Business Council, Vice President of the Governmental Affairs Council of the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce, Fifth Third Bank Regional Board Member, Ex-Officio Member of the Mt. Vernon Economic Development Board, a member of the Mt. Vernon Tourism Board, and the Mt. Vernon Sweet Corn Watermelon Board,

- 1 Past President and Charter Board Member of the Mt. Vernon
- 2 Prayer Breakfast, District Chairman Boy Scouts Black/Gold
- 3 District, Boy Scouts Okaw Valley Council, and Key Three Member
- 4 and Trustee Second Baptist Church; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 6 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 7 congratulate Dan Black on being named Small Business Person of
- 8 the Year by the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce; and be it
- 9 further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 11 presented to Mr. Black as an expression of our respect and
- 12 esteem.