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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Noreen O'Brien
4 Davlin on the occasion of being named Irishperson of the Year
5 by the Sons of Erin; and

6 WHEREAS, This distinctive honoree is 100% Irish, being
7 second and third generation Irish-American; she is one of nine
8 children from a large Irish-Catholic family; her fun-loving
9 family was all provided with a Catholic education; she attended
10 St. Agnes Grade School, followed by Springfield High School;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, After high school, Noreen O'Brien Davlin worked
13 for a liquor distributor and had the first date with her future
14 spouse as the result of a bet; and

15 WHEREAS, After marrying, Noreen O'Brien Davlin and her
16 husband lived on campus at the University of Illinois in
17 Champaign; they started their own family while attending school
18 there, all the while retaining the desire to live in
19 Springfield; and

20 WHEREAS, Not only does Noreen O'Brien Davlin cherish
21 spending time with her children, grandchildren, and

1 great-grandchildren, but also her huge extended family; she has
2 opened her doors, both literally and figuratively, to countless
3 others and has provided love and guidance to all who enter; and

4 WHEREAS, Noreen O'Brien Davlin loves traveling to Ireland
5 and is known by name throughout Killarney in County Kerry; and

6 WHEREAS, Noreen O'Brien Davlin also loves golf, having
7 achieved two holes-in-one, and has golfed on multiple
8 continents; she also enjoys other sports, such as skiing,
9 fishing, and playing cards; and

10 WHEREAS, The time Noreen O'Brien Davlin spent on the
11 University of Illinois campus when she was first married
12 fostered a love for the Fighting Illini; she is known for
13 tailgating and supporting both the U of I and Notre Dame; and

14 WHEREAS, Noreen O'Brien Davlin also follows politics at all
15 levels, having personally known a President, governors,
16 mayors, and, most importantly, representatives; and

17 WHEREAS, Noreen O'Brien Davlin would never boast of her
18 accomplishments, but has previously been designated as Grand
19 Marshal of the Springfield St. Patrick's Day parade and has
20 been recognized as Parent of the Year; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
3 congratulate Noreen O'Brien Davlin on the occasion of being
4 named Irishperson of the Year by the Sons of Erin and wish her
5 continued happiness and success in the future; and be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to Noreen O'Brien Davlin as a symbol of our esteem
9 and respect.