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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Jan Kelsheimer on  
4 her retirement as President of Easter Seals Central Illinois;  
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6           WHEREAS, Jan will be retiring on August 31, 2008 after 23  
7 years service to Easter Seals and helping people with  
8 disabilities to live a more independent life; under her  
9 leadership a capital campaign was held for a new building,  
10 moving Easter Seals from a small nonfunctional building on  
11 Cerro Gordo Street to the new Independence Pointe Building on  
12 27th Street; and

13           WHEREAS, This move has enabled Easter Seals Central  
14 Illinois to expand programs as well as start new programs for  
15 the community such as: Discovery Depot Inclusive Childcare  
16 Center, Physical Therapy, Social Skill Programs for  
17 Individuals with Developmental Disabilities, and Respite  
18 Services; these added programs increase the clients served each  
19 year; and

20           WHEREAS, Easter Seals is a CARF accredited organization  
21 through the leadership and guidance of Jan Kelsheimer; she is  
22 adept at securing funds for Easter Seals programs; through her

1 years of leadership she forged bonds with a variety of funding  
2 sources; she is always willing to collaborate with other  
3 organizations in creating new programs for clients; and

4 WHEREAS, She believes in recruiting employees with the  
5 highest credentials to be on the staff at Easter Seals Central  
6 Illinois; she encourages employees to be involved in the  
7 community through the United Way, Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis,  
8 Sertoma, and other organizations; and

9 WHEREAS, She is a strong proponent of continuing education  
10 for all employees in their field of expertise; under her  
11 guidance, the employees work together as a team, building  
12 relationships both in and out of the workplace; therefore, be  
13 it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
15 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
16 congratulate Jan Kelsheimer on her retirement and wish her the  
17 best in her future endeavors; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19 presented to Jan Kelsheimer as a symbol of our respect.