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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to honor accomplishments in the
4 lives of citizens of the State of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, Rebecca Sive, civic leader, staunch feminist, and
6 outspoken advocate for social justice, has won the Civic
7 Engagement, Community Service and Community Organizing Award
8 from the University of Illinois at Chicago's Department of
9 Gender and Women's Studies; and

10 WHEREAS, Rebecca received a B.A. in Urban Studies from
11 Carleton College, which also bestowed upon her the
12 Distinguished Achievement Award; she received her M.A. in
13 American History from the University of Illinois, where she
14 began her career as a community organizer; and

15 WHEREAS, Rebecca was a Commissioner, Finance Committee
16 Chair, and General Operations Committee Chair of the Chicago
17 Park District, an independent unit of government; she was a
18 founding Commissioner of the Illinois Human Rights Commission;
19 she was a Vice-Chair and the only woman member of the Executive
20 Committee of the Chicago 1992 World's Fair Authority; she was
21 also a former executive at the Playboy Foundation; and

1 WHEREAS, Rebecca has held numerous other appointments on
2 governmental, organizational, and philanthropic boards and
3 committees; among them, she has served on the boards of
4 directors of Public Allies - Chicago, the Jewish Community
5 Centers of Metropolitan Chicago, NARAL Pro-Choice America, The
6 Woodlawn Community Development Corporation, the Jewish Fund
7 for Justice, and the YWCA of Metropolitan Chicago; and

8 WHEREAS, Rebecca has been elected into Today's Chicago
9 Woman 20th Anniversary Hall of Fame; she is listed in Who's Who
10 in America, Who's Who of American Women, and Feminists Who
11 Changed America; she is a member of The Economic Club of
12 Chicago and has received numerous other honors, including the
13 Jaycees of Chicago Outstanding Young Citizen's Award, the YWCA
14 of Metropolitan Chicago Outstanding Community Leadership
15 Award, and the Chicago Urban League Woman of Distinction Award;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Rebecca is a seasoned executive, with in-depth
18 leadership experience in business, government, philanthropy,
19 and the not-for-profit sector; she is principal and chief
20 strategist of The Sive Group, a public affairs firm; she has
21 also written frequently on a variety of public policy matters,
22 beginning with early articles in Chicago's feminist press and
23 publication of the Chicago Women's Directory/Guia para las
24 Mujeres de Chicago; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
3 congratulate Rebecca Sive on being given the University of
4 Illinois Department of Gender and Women's Studies Civic
5 Engagement, Community Service and Community Organizing Award
6 and wish her continued success in the future; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to Rebecca Sive as a sign of our affection,
9 gratitude, and respect.