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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the pediatricians,
4 family physicians, nurse practitioners, staff, volunteers, and
5 supporters of the Enhancing Developmentally Oriented Primary
6 Care (EDOPC) project on the occasion of being the recipients of
7 the 2008 Summit Award from the American Society of Association
8 Executives (ASAE) and the Associations Advance America (AAA)
9 Committee of the Center for Association Leadership; and

10 WHEREAS, The EDOPC project is a collaborative partnership
11 between the Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of
12 Pediatrics (ICAAP), the Advocate Health System's Healthy Steps
13 for Young Children Program, the Illinois Academy of Family
14 Physicians (IAFP), the Ounce of Prevention Fund, the Illinois
15 Department of Healthcare and Family Services, and multiple
16 private foundations to improve the health and development of
17 Illinois children; and

18 WHEREAS, The EDOPC project has sought to increase primary
19 care providers' use of validated tools for developmental
20 screening, socioemotional screening, and maternal depression
21 screening; the project also seeks to raise awareness of
22 symptoms of autism during pediatric visits with children under
23 the age of 3 and has recently added promotion of screening for

1 domestic violence, another family risk factor that impacts
2 child development; and

3 WHEREAS, Such developmental screening by means of a
4 validated developmental screening tool has been demonstrated
5 to appropriately address the social and emotional needs of
6 families and improve rates of identification of developmental
7 delay and referrals to the early intervention program,
8 providing critical notice of development problems before it is
9 too late; and

10 WHEREAS, The EDOPC project has had a profoundly positive
11 impact on pediatric primary care providers, enabling these
12 providers to have greater knowledge of key developmental
13 topics, have greater confidence during the identification
14 process, overcome barriers to the implementation of routine
15 screening, and increase the frequency of screening tool use and
16 subsequent referrals; and

17 WHEREAS, The EDOPC project has initiated another
18 three-year phase, taking place from 2008 to 2010, that will
19 provide for outreach to additional pediatric and family
20 practice providers in the State and further address barriers to
21 care coordination and entry into services; this phase will
22 foster more "medical homeness" and patient-centered care;
23 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 the pediatricians, family physicians, nurse
4 practitioners, staff, volunteers, and supporters of the
5 Enhancing Developmentally Oriented Primary Care project on the
6 occasion of being the recipients of the 2008 Summit Award and
7 wish them continued success in the future; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the lead organizations of the EDOPC project as a
10 symbol of our esteem and respect.