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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, State Representative Monique D. Davis and the members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to welcome the 4-H community to the Illinois State Capitol; and
- 5 WHEREAS, 4-H is the largest youth organization in the State 6 of Illinois, challenging nearly 300,000 Illinois youth to 7 "learn by doing" with fun, hands-on activities teaching skills 8 for living; and
- 9 WHEREAS, 4-H is the premier youth educational program of 10 the United States Department of Agriculture and supported by 11 the latest research from Illinois' land grant university, the 12 University of Illinois; and
- WHEREAS, 4-H is part of the University of Illinois
  Extension and is available to all youth in every county in the
  State; and
- WHEREAS, More than 24,000 caring, nurturing adults volunteer with 4-H youth by creating learning laboratories to practice real world skills needed today and in the future; and
- 19 WHEREAS, 4-H enriches the lives of Illinois youth while 20 focusing on the mission mandates of science, engineering, and

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- 1 technology, healthy living, and citizenship/leadership; and
- WHEREAS, 4-H is committed nationally to engage One Million
- 3 New Scientists and One Million New Ideas by the year 2012
- 4 through promoting the concepts of science, engineering, and
- 5 technology in 4-H programs and activities; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Research by Tufts University has shown that 4-H
- 7 members do better in school, are more likely to see themselves
- 8 going to college, are less likely to engage in risky behaviors,
- 9 and contribute more to their communities; and
- 10 WHEREAS, 4-H offers youth supervised independence, a sense
- of belonging, a spirit of generosity towards others, and an
- opportunity to master life challenges; and
- WHEREAS, 4-H members pledge their head, heart, hands, and
- 14 health to making the best better in their clubs, communities,
- 15 country, and world; therefore, be it
- 16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 17 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 18 Tuesday, March 9, 2010 is 4-H Day at the Illinois State
- 19 Capitol, saluting the rich traditions of Illinois 4-H, the
- 20 outstanding accomplishments of Illinois 4-H members and
- 21 leaders and the commitment to science education for our future

1 generations.