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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Elvia Lee Steward 4 on the occasion of her 94th birthday on August 26, 2010; and

5 WHEREAS, Elvia Steward retired from the Manteno Mental 6 Health Center in 1980 after many years of dedicated service; 7 and

WHEREAS, Elvia Steward served as the Pembroke Township Clerk; she was a Co-County Chairman of the Democratic Party; she was a member of the board of the Pembroke Area Family Health Center; she is a charter member of the first Sheriff's Merit Commission; she is a charter member of AFSCME Council 31 and a past vice president and charter member of the AFSCME Subchapter 57 Retirees; she served as President of the Kankakee Mental Health Council; she was a member and past President of the Pembroke Community Chorus; she was a charter member of the Habitat for Humanity Board in Pembroke Township; she is a member of the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Board; she serves as Chairperson of the Kankakee TRIAD of the Kankakee Sheriff's Department; she also serves as Treasurer of the Center for Re-Education and Family Training; and

WHEREAS, Elvia Steward has volunteered great amounts of her

1 time and energy to charitable causes, including food pantries

- 2 and various community organizations; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Elvia Steward is a member and choir member of the
- 4 Pembroke Community Reformed Church in Pembroke Township; she
- 5 also serves as a Sunday School teacher, Past President of the
- 6 Women's Guild, and a member of the Scholarships and Benevolence
- 7 Committees at the church and has been designated Senior of the
- 8 Year several times; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Elvia Steward serves as a model of hard work,
- 10 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
- 11 Illinois; therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 14 congratulate Elvia Lee Steward on the occasion of her 94th
- birthday and wish her many happy and healthy years to come; and
- 16 be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 18 presented to Elvia Steward as a symbol of our esteem and
- 19 respect.