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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 Illinois WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Samantha Dehner on 4 her graduation from Northern Illinois University; Samantha is a 5 survivor of the February 2008 shooting that took place on the 6 Northern Illinois University campus; and

7 WHEREAS, Samantha grew up in Carol Stream and attended 8 Glenbard North High School from 2002 to 2006; during her junior 9 and senior year she also attended the Technology Center of 10 Dupage and received her license in cosmetology; and

11 WHEREAS, After graduation, she began taking classes at 12 Northern Illinois University with an undecided major; on 13 February 14, 2008, the second semester of her Sophomore year, a 14 Thursday afternoon, she was in her Geology class at Cole Hall 15 when shots rang out; and

16 WHEREAS, Samantha was injured, with a gunshot wound to her 17 right arm and right leg; after the incident, Samantha endured 18 surgeries, began physical therapy, and started down a long road 19 to recovery; and

20 WHEREAS, Due to her injuries she was forced to leave school 21 for the rest of the semester; but, with the support of her HR0358 -2- LRB097 11938 KXB 55449 r
parents, Robert and Vickie Dehner, and her sister, Holly
Dehner, she was able to return to school in the fall of 2008;
and

WHEREAS, After returning to the campus, she declared psychology as her major; on May 14, 2011, she will graduate from Northern Illinois University with a Bachelor's Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences, with a major in psychology; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 10 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 11 we congratulate Samantha Dehner on her graduation from Northern 12 Illinois University and acknowledge her courage and strength; 13 and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 15 presented to Samantha Dehner as a symbol of our sincere 16 respect.