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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the nursing staff
4 at MacNeal Hospital in Berwyn for their many achievements in
5 the field of nursing; and

6 WHEREAS, The nurses at MacNeal Hospital believe that they
7 can contribute to improvements in policies and management of
8 health systems and services; they have already provided a
9 tremendous service in improving the education levels of nurses
10 at their hospital so that they can better help solve the root
11 of the nursing shortage in Illinois, which is a shortage of
12 nurse teachers; 115 MacNeal nurses have returned to school for
13 either their bachelor's degree or their master's degree in
14 nursing, which is funded by the hospital and the Illinois
15 Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity; the
16 hospital's graduate school prepared nurses have made a
17 commitment to teach in the local nursing schools to help
18 increase the number of nursing students that Illinois can
19 produce; and

20 WHEREAS, The nurses at MacNeal Hospital have worked
21 tirelessly to reduce the gap between the ethnicities they serve
22 and the ethnicities of the nurses that serve them; by reaching
23 out to the community and creating a nondiscriminatory climate,

1 they have increased their Hispanic Latino nurse employees from
2 6% to 16% - a great achievement when only 3% of nurses
3 nationwide are Hispanic or Latino; and

4 WHEREAS, The nurses at MacNeal Hospital donate countless
5 hours towards community service, having doubled their
6 collective volunteer hours every year; and

7 WHEREAS, The nurses at MacNeal Hospital seek to achieve
8 Magnet status, the gold standard in healthcare, from the
9 American Nurses' Credentialing Center; they have raised the bar
10 by improving the outcomes of their patients above the national
11 benchmarks by focusing on professional development,
12 interdisciplinary collaboration, leadership, and clinical
13 practice; and

14 WHEREAS, The nursing staff at MacNeal Hospital serve as
15 models of hard work, integrity, and dedication for the people
16 of the State of Illinois; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
18 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
19 we congratulate the nursing staff at MacNeal Hospital for their
20 many achievements in the field of nursing and wish them
21 continued success and happiness in the future; and be it
22 further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the nursing staff at MacNeal Hospital as a symbol
3 of our esteem and respect.