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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Joan Snyder on the
4 occasion of her retirement as President of the Central Illinois
5 Advocates for Lives Interrupted by Parkinson's Support
6 Organization (Calipso); and

7 WHEREAS, After Joan Snyder was diagnosed with Parkinson's
8 disease, she became determined to live her life to the fullest
9 and find a cure for this debilitating disease; to this end, she
10 created the Central Illinois Advocates for Lives Interrupted by
11 Parkinson's Support Organization (Calipso) to advance research
12 for Parkinson's disease in central Illinois; and

13 WHEREAS, Over the last 20 years, Calipso, under the
14 leadership of Joan Snyder, has raised over \$100,000 to fund
15 Parkinson's disease research at Bradley University; and

16 WHEREAS, While raising awareness of Parkinson's disease in
17 the Peoria community, Joan Snyder has offered support and
18 encouragement to others suffering from this disease from around
19 the world; with the support of the Parkinson's Alliance, she
20 helped author "Voices from the Parking Lot: Parkinson's
21 Insights and Perspectives"; the book, published by the
22 Parkinson's Alliance, raises money to help fight the disease,

1 but also allows people not suffering from Parkinson's disease
2 to learn more about the fight against the disease; and

3 WHEREAS, After over 20 years of spearheading fundraising
4 and outreach efforts for Calipso, Joan Snyder has announced her
5 retirement from her position as President of the organization;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Joan Snyder serves as a model of hard work,
8 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
9 Illinois; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
11 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
12 we congratulate Joan Snyder on the occasion of her retirement
13 and wish her continued success and happiness in the future; and
14 be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to Joan Snyder as a symbol of our esteem and respect.