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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Dr. Roger McFarlin
4 for receiving the "2013 Rural Physician of Excellence Award"
5 from the Illinois Rural Health Association; and

6 WHEREAS, One of the biggest healthcare challenges across
7 our nation is the shortage of physicians who practice in rural
8 settings; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. McFarlin earned his medical degree in 1969
10 from the University of Louisville School of Medicine and
11 completed his residency in 1971 at the Denver Health Medical
12 Center; and

13 WHEREAS, Upon completion of his residency, Dr. McFarlin
14 returned to his hometown of Hillsboro in 1972 to practice
15 family medicine in a rural setting; and

16 WHEREAS, For over 40 years, Dr. Mc Farlin has continued to
17 make a tremendous impact on health care delivery in Montgomery
18 County; and

19 WHEREAS, Dr. McFarlin has served on the staff of both St.
20 Francis Hospital in Litchfield and the Hillsboro Area Hospital;

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2 WHEREAS, Dr. McFarlin has served as the Medical Director of
3 the Hillsboro Area Hospital; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. McFarlin also worked to improve the quality of
5 life in his community through his service on the Montgomery
6 County Health Board, the TB Board and the Lake Improvement
7 Committee; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. McFarlin always treats each patient like a
9 member of his family, which makes him the true definition of a
10 family physician; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
13 we commend Dr. Roger McFarlin for his selfless service to his
14 community and the impact he has made on improving rural health;
15 and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to Dr. McFarlin as a symbol of our respect and
18 esteem.