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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate Susan Davenport Smith on the occasion of her 60th birthday; and

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WHEREAS, Susan Smith attended Northern Illinois University and the University of Illinois College of Pharmacy, and she was an honor student at both institutions; she completed pharmacy school in 1977 and worked as a Registered Clinical Pharmacist at the University of Illinois and Children's Memorial Hospital for more than 30 years, where she served as the first HIV/AIDS and first chemotherapy pharmacist; she retired in 2010; and

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WHEREAS, While in pharmacy school, Susan Smith met Horace Smith, who was a medical student and they have been happily married since 1976; and

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WHEREAS, Susan Smith has been a member of Apostolic Faith Church since 1976 and became First Lady in 1980 when her husband became Pastor; in addition to being the First Lady of Apostolic Faith Church, she is the church administrator, overseeing the day-to-day business of the 3,000-member church; and

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WHEREAS, Together, the Smiths' humanitarian endeavors

1 reach beyond the United States to support missions in all parts  
2 of Africa through their partnership with World Vision; Susan,  
3 along with her husband, travels extensively to Africa to view  
4 first-hand the devastation caused by the HIV/AIDS pandemic;  
5 under their leadership, Apostolic Faith Church provides  
6 resources for drilling wells to bring fresh water, which is the  
7 number one need in some areas; they also bring food, clothing,  
8 education, medical assistance, and other goods and services;  
9 the Smiths, along with their church, have sponsored over 2,000  
10 children through World Vision; and

11 WHEREAS, Susan Smith's awards include La Rabida Children's  
12 Hospital 100 Big Hearts for Young Heroes and the Children's  
13 Memorial Hospital Earl J. Frederick Award for Outstanding Team;  
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15 WHEREAS, Susan Smith and her husband reside in Chicago;  
16 they have 3 daughters, Lauren Elrod, Rachel Smith, and Emily  
17 Green; 3 sons-in-law, Brian Elrod, Patrick Green, and Courtney  
18 Horton; and 4 grandchildren, Lillian Elrod, Addison Elrod,  
19 Joshua Horton, and Caleb Green; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
21 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
22 we congratulate Susan Davenport Smith on the occasion of her  
23 60th birthday and wish her many more wonderful years; and be it

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2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
3 presented to Susan Smith as an expression of our esteem and  
4 respect.