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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, Fox River Grove School District 3 serves  
3 middle-school students in Fox River Grove and their families;  
4 one of their teachers, Jane Szybowicz, has taught fifth-graders  
5 here since 1996; and

6           WHEREAS, The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History  
7 is a non-profit, private-sector advocacy group that conducts an  
8 ongoing search for enthusiastic and innovative ways to teach  
9 history to students throughout the United States; and

10           WHEREAS, For 19 years, Jane Szybowicz has worked tirelessly  
11 to maintain and improve her professional work as a teacher,  
12 attending many conferences, seminars, and colloquiums where  
13 she participates in presentations by other high-level  
14 educators and discusses her work; and

15           WHEREAS, The reputation of Jane Szybowicz has grown among  
16 her fellow teachers, her students, and the families of her  
17 students because of her obvious enthusiasm for telling stories  
18 to her pupils and showing how these stories fit into greater  
19 stories, such as the greater story that is American history;  
20 and

21           WHEREAS, In May of 2015, Jane Szybowicz learned that she

1 had been honored by the Lehrman Institute as the 2015 Illinois  
2 History Teacher of the Year; and

3 WHEREAS, As the 2015 Illinois History Teacher of the Year,  
4 Jane Szybowicz will now be a candidate for the award of  
5 National History Teacher of the Year, to be awarded later in  
6 2015; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
8 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
9 congratulate Jane Szybowicz on the occasion of being honored as  
10 the 2015 Illinois History Teacher of the Year and wish her well  
11 as she continues her career; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That we know that the honor given to Jane  
13 Szybowicz also honors her students and their families, who have  
14 worked with her to be part of the bigger story that is Fox  
15 River Grove Eagle Pride; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
17 presented to Jane Szybowicz, Dr. Tim Mahaffy, Superintendent of  
18 Fox River Grove School District 3, and Devin Bright, President  
19 of the Fox River Grove School District 3 Board of Education.