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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Peg Kopec on being selected as a member of the 2016 class of the National Federation of State High School Association (NFHS) Hall of Fame; and

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WHEREAS, Peg Kopec coached 42 seasons of volleyball for the Spartans of St. Francis High School in Wheaton; and

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WHEREAS, Peg Kopec taught her athletes lessons about hard work, dedication, and accountability that will continue to serve them throughout their lives; she embodies what a high school coach should be; and

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WHEREAS, Peg Kopec consistently built strong teams that worked together to achieve remarkable accomplishments; she fostered a love of volleyball in her athletes that led to over 90 of them playing at the collegiate level; and

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WHEREAS, Peg Kopec and her teams won 84% of their games and she amassed a career record of 1,238 wins, 229 losses, and two ties; and

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WHEREAS, Peg Kopec is the winningest coach of any sport in

1 Illinois High School Association history; and

2 WHEREAS, Peg Kopec coached the St. Francis Spartans to 12  
3 State championships overall, concluding with four consecutive  
4 State championships from 2012 to 2015; and

5 WHEREAS, Peg Kopec is only the eighth Illinois High School  
6 Association coach enshrined in the NFHS Hall of Fame and the  
7 first female coach; and

8 WHEREAS, Peg Kopec's career began in 1972 and concluded  
9 with her retirement in November of 2015; her accolades include  
10 induction into the Illinois Coaches Association Hall of Fame,  
11 being named Coach of the Year by both the National High School  
12 Coaches Association and the NFHS, and being selected to the  
13 Chicago Sky's Title IX Team in 2012; and

14 WHEREAS, Peg Kopec will be honored at an enshrinement  
15 ceremony banquet on July 2, 2016 as part of the 2016 NFHS  
16 Summer Meeting in Reno, Nevada; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
18 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
19 congratulate Peg Kopec on being selected as a member of the  
20 2016 class of the National Federation of State High School  
21 Association Hall of Fame; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to Peg Kopec as an expression of our esteem and  
3 respect.