

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are honored to recognize milestone events in
4 the lives of the citizens of the State of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Dorothy
6 Ferguson is retiring from her duties as the Capitol's first
7 aid nurse for the Illinois Department of Public Health,
8 Emergency Medical Services, located within the Capitol; and

9 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ferguson has faithfully and with much
10 dedication, served the State of Illinois as a nurse from
11 January 1, 1977 through May 31, 2001; and

12 WHEREAS, Dorothy Deloris Wrincik was born on January 2,
13 1932 in Springfield, Illinois; she is a 1950 graduate of
14 Lamphier High School, a 1953 graduate of St. John's School of
15 Nursing, and a 1955 graduate of St. John's School of
16 Anesthesia; and

17 WHEREAS, Dorothy Wrincik married Leonard E. Ferguson on
18 August 27, 1955; her greatest claim to fame is that she is
19 the mother of four children born on the same birthdate,
20 missing the Guinness record by only one child, and they
21 include, Ann born on May 17, 1956, Leonard born on May 17,
22 1957, Jean born on May 17, 1958, David born on October 6,
23 1959, Jo born on May 17, 1961, and Gail born on June 22,
24 1967; in addition, four of her children, Jean, David, Jo, and
25 Gail have served as Senate Pages in the past; and

26 WHEREAS, While raising her family, Mrs. Ferguson worked
27 one night each week at St. John's Hospital, and numerous
28 other part-time nursing positions just to keep her hand in
29 nursing; in the mid-1970s she worked as an occasional relief
30 nurse at the Capitol, and by 1977 she was hired on full time
31 as the new first aid nurse; and

1 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ferguson shares many interests including
2 horses, dogs, fitness, nutrition, travel, and first rate
3 haggling at area garage sales; she also loves to spend time
4 with her nine grandchildren who include Stacy, Kevin, Robert,
5 Katie, Andrew, Jessica, Max, Lindsey, and Bob; and

6 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ferguson reveals that her twenty-four year
7 career at the Capitol has been one of the most rewarding
8 experiences of her life; she has met so many wonderful
9 individuals and will miss them after her retirement;
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
13 we congratulate Dorothy Ferguson on her retirement from her
14 duties as the Capitol's first aid nurse, and we wish her well
15 in all of her future endeavors; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to Dorothy Ferguson as an expression of our esteem.