



Recognition of Katherine Hepler for achievements in golf

WHEREAS, the game of golf has at its core a standard of behavior that lends itself to positive development with personal skills such as honesty, integrity, courtesy and respect, and

WHEREAS, Katherine Hepler of Lincoln has played golf since the age of three, and

WHEREAS, Katherine Hepler became the first Logan County resident to win the Illinois High School Association state championship in girls' golf, and

WHEREAS, Katherine shattered the IHSA scoring records with the first sub 70 seasonal average and established several new course records during the season, and

WHEREAS, Katherine sank a 15-foot birdie putt on the final hole to give her team a one-shot state championship victory in addition to Katherine's individual title, and

WHEREAS, Katherine's stellar play in summer golf events against the top juniors in the country earned her Player of the Year designation from the PGA of America as a 16-year-old in the bracket of girls ages 16-18, and

WHEREAS, last summer at age 16, Katherine became one of the youngest players to make a cut in a women's professional tournament, finishing in a tie for 35th out of a field of 156 competitors, and

WHEREAS, Katherine achieved her golfing successes without compromising scholastic excellence, maintaining a 4.0 average and participating in numerous non-athletic extracurricular activities,

NOW THEREFORE the Logan County Board congratulates Katherine Hepler on an outstanding year of golfing accomplishments and wishes her continued success in her athletic and academic endeavors.

Recognition approved by a vote of the Logan County Board on Dec. 20, 2011.