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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Thomas E. Ryan Jr. on the 4 occasion of his retirement as President of Chicago Firefighters 5 Union Local 2 after nearly a decade of service; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Ryan Jr. has been a Chicago firefighter and member of Local 2 for nearly 32 years, joining in 1985; he is a Certified Fire Investigator; he also has certifications as an Emergency Medical Technician B and Hazardous Materials Technician A; he was promoted to Lieutenant in 2006; and

WHEREAS, As President of Local 2, Thomas Ryan Jr. has overseen the creation of programs such as the Local 2 Health Fair, Heart Scan, and the Cancer Dogs; he also served as Vice-President, Steward, and Chairman of numerous committees; and

WHEREAS, Local 2 provides Tech A and B training, EMT P and B refresher courses, and engineer promotional classes; it helps the most vulnerable members and their families through the Employee Assistance Program and the Retirees Committee; and

WHEREAS, Local 2 renders financial and spiritual support to charities such as the Local 2 Toy Parade, the Widows and

- Orphans Fund, Chaplains Ministries, the Gold Badge Society,
- 2 Ignite the Spirit, the 5-11 Club, the CFFU Burn Foundation, the
- 3 100 Club of Chicago, the AFFI Warrior Program, MDA,
- 4 Make-A-Wish, the Special Olympics, Autism Speaks, and many
- 5 others; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Thomas Ryan Jr. and his wife, Lisa, were married
- 7 in 1991; they have two children, Zachary and Anthony;
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 10 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 11 congratulate Thomas E. Ryan Jr. on his retirement as President
- of Chicago Firefighters Union Local 2 after nearly a decade of
- service, and we wish him the best in all his future endeavors;
- 14 and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 16 presented to Thomas Ryan Jr. as an expression of our esteem and
- 17 respect.