

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of  
3 the State of Illinois wish to congratulate Loann J. Honesty  
4 King on the occasion of her retirement as the Vice President  
5 of Student Services and Enrollment Management at Kennedy-King  
6 College after 40 years of committed and dedicated service as  
7 an educator and administrator; and

8 WHEREAS, Vice President King's career began at Parker  
9 (Robeson) High School in 1963, where she taught Business  
10 Education and served as a Counselor and Chairman of the  
11 Counseling Department; in 1980, she went on to work at Jobs  
12 for Youth/Chicago, Inc. as Deputy Director and then Associate  
13 Executive Director; following that, she worked for the  
14 Illinois Community College Board as Grant Coordinator for the  
15 northern Illinois area; in 1987, she joined City Colleges of  
16 Chicago as Grant Coordinator and Consultant for Malcolm X and  
17 Chicago City-Wide College respectively; and

18 WHEREAS, Vice President King moved on to serve as  
19 Assistant Dean of Instruction, Assistant Dean of Student  
20 Services, Dean of Career Programs, and Dean of Instruction at  
21 Olive-Harvey College; her student advocacy, organizational  
22 skills, and contribution to enrollment increases was marked  
23 and she was asked to join Kennedy-King College's  
24 administrative staff as Dean of Instruction in August of  
25 1999; in May of 2001, she was promoted to Vice President of  
26 Student Services and Enrollment Management; and

27 WHEREAS, Mrs. King has been honored for her  
28 professionalism and commitment to student advocacy; in  
29 February of 2002, she was awarded the National Resource  
30 Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in  
31 Transition's Outstanding First-Year Student Advocate Award;  
32 in 1998, she was nominated by Olive-Harvey College and again

1 in 2003 by Kennedy-King College as the recipient of the  
2 Outstanding/Phenomenal Woman Award from the American  
3 Association of Women in Community Colleges, Harold Washington  
4 College Chapter; her professional accomplishments have also  
5 been recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and  
6 Chicago State University; and

7 WHEREAS, Mrs. King is active in many service and  
8 community-based organizations; she is a former Central  
9 Regional Director and National Treasurer of Alpha Kappa Alpha  
10 Sorority, Inc., and is currently a member of Theta Omega  
11 Chapter, and the Hoffman Estates Chapter of the Links, Inc.;  
12 she serves on the Chicago Community Trust's African American  
13 Initiative Committee, and holds active membership in the  
14 Illinois Council of Community College Administrators,  
15 American Association of Women in Community Colleges, Chicago  
16 Urban League, and the American Association of Collegiate  
17 Registrars and Admissions Officers; she is a past President  
18 of the Parkway Community House Board of Directors, and she is  
19 a former member of the Board of Directors for Hull House and  
20 the Human Resource Development Institute; and

21 WHEREAS, Mrs. King was recently inducted into the  
22 Englewood High School Alumni Hall of Fame and her meritorious  
23 works have been cited in several publications including being  
24 featured in Ebony Magazine's Speaking of People and listed in  
25 several Who's Who Biographies; and

26 WHEREAS, Mrs. King has published several articles and is  
27 the author of the book "Pledged to Remember - The History of  
28 Central Region," Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and

29 WHEREAS, Mrs. King earned her undergraduate degree from  
30 Chicago State University and a Master of Arts degree from  
31 Northeastern Illinois University; in 2001, she and her  
32 husband, Paul J. King Jr. established the Loann and Paul King

1 Philanthropic Fund with the Chicago Community Trust becoming  
2 the Trust's first family donor advised fund established by  
3 African Americans; they have two adult sons, Paul J. King III  
4 and Timothy J. King; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
6 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
7 we congratulate Mrs. Loann J. Honesty King on the occasion of  
8 her retirement after 40 years of service as an educator and  
9 administrator, and we thank her for her devotion to student  
10 advocacy; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
12 presented to Loann J. Honesty King as an expression of our  
13 respect and esteem.