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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Master Richard Keiss,  
4 owner and operator of Draco Martial Arts Academy, on 20 years  
5 in business; and

6           WHEREAS, Master Keiss has always had a passion for martial  
7 arts; it began at a young age when he would read books on the  
8 subject and practice moves with his older sister for "fun"; and

9           WHEREAS, After serving in the military, Master Keiss began  
10 training under Korean Grand Master I.S. Kim; at the age of 32,  
11 after over three years of practice, he earned his black belt;  
12 and

13           WHEREAS, Master Keiss opened the first Draco Martial Arts  
14 Academy in 1997 in Homewood; soon after, he opened his second  
15 school in Dyer, Indiana; over the years, Draco Martial Arts  
16 Academy has produced many state champions, Masters, and  
17 teachers; and

18           WHEREAS, Master Keiss is dedicated to sharing his  
19 self-taught ethics and values to his students; he has made a  
20 positive difference in the lives of over 2,000 children,  
21 adolescents, and adult students since opening the doors of his

1 school; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
3 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
4 congratulate Master Richard Keiss, owner and operator of Draco  
5 Martial Arts Academy, on 20 years in business, and we wish him  
6 many more successful years; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to Master Keiss as an expression of our esteem and  
9 respect.