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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Sheriff Jim Padilla on the
4 occasion of his retirement as Henry County Sheriff and on his
5 41 years of faithful service to his community; and

6 WHEREAS, Sheriff Padilla was inspired at a young age by his
7 teacher to become a police officer, a dream he ultimately
8 fulfilled; and

9 WHEREAS, Sheriff Padilla started his law enforcement
10 career as a police officer in Kewanee, where he served for
11 eight years, including time on a multi-jurisdictional,
12 bi-state narcotics unit known as the Quad City Metropolitan
13 Enforcement Group; and

14 WHEREAS, Sheriff Padilla became the sheriff of Henry County
15 on May 27, 1984, a position he has held for 33 years; and

16 WHEREAS, Sheriff Padilla has continually improved his law
17 enforcement skills as sheriff, taking part in SWAT and FBI
18 training programs; and

19 WHEREAS, Sheriff Padilla has worked tirelessly to ensure
20 that the Henry County's Sheriff Department is a fully funded

1 and professionally equipped force; and

2 WHEREAS, Outside of his duties as sheriff of Henry County,
3 Sheriff Padilla is a trained firearms instructor and an avid
4 outdoorsman; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
6 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
7 congratulate Sheriff Jim Padilla on his 41 years of combined
8 service to the City of Kewanee and Henry County, and we wish
9 him many happy days of hunting and fishing; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to Sheriff Padilla as a symbol of our respect and
12 esteem.