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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate the Honorable James B. Zagel on the occasion of his taking Senior Status as a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, Judge Zagel was appointed by President Ronald Reagan and has over 30 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Previously, Judge Zagel was appointed by Governor James R. Thompson to be the Executive Director of the Illinois Law Enforcement Commission and then Director of the Department of Revenue and Director of the Illinois State Police; and

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WHEREAS, Judge Zagel has also served as an assistant state's attorney for Cook County, chief assistant attorney general for Arizona, chief prosecuting attorney for the Illinois Judicial Inquiry Board, and an assistant attorney general of Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, Judge Zagel served as a member of the Codes of Conduct Committee of the United States Judicial Conference, a member of the Committee on Criminal Discovery Rules of the Supreme Court of Illinois, and a member of the Task Force on

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1 Criminal Appeals Appellate Review of Sentences and Post
2 Conviction Remedies of the American Bar Association; he
3 co-authored several editions of "Criminal Law and Its
4 Administration" and "Cases and Comments on Criminal
5 Procedure"; and

6 WHEREAS, Judge Zagel received his Bachelor of Arts and
7 Master of Arts from the University of Chicago and his Juris
8 Doctor from Harvard Law School in 1965; he has presided over
9 many notable cases including *Lexecon, Inc., et al. v. Milberg*
10 *Weiss, et al., U.S.A. v. Frank Calabrese, et al,* and *U.S.A. v.*
11 *Blagojevich*; and

12 WHEREAS, In his spare time, Judge Zagel played substantial
13 roles in two feature films, "Music Box" with Jessica Lange and
14 "Homicide" with Joe Mantegna; in 2002, he published his first
15 novel, "Money to Burn"; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
17 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
18 congratulate the Honorable James B. Zagel on his Senior Status
19 as a United States District Judge for the Northern District of
20 Illinois, and we wish him the best in all his future endeavors;
21 and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to Judge Zagel as an expression of our esteem and
2 respect.