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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Dr. David R. Schuler, Superintendent of High School District 214, on being named the National Superintendent of the Year by the American Association of School Administrators (AASA), the School Superintendents Association; and

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WHEREAS, This is the first time in the 31-year history of the Association's award that a Superintendent from Illinois has won the honor; and

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WHEREAS, High School District 214 serves more than 12,000 students in six comprehensive high schools in the northwest suburbs of Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Schuler has served as Superintendent of High School District 214 since 2005; and

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WHEREAS, Through his tenure at High School District 214, each of the high schools has been named as one of the best and most challenging schools in the country; and

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WHEREAS, High School District 214 is a national leader in preparing students for life beyond high school; and

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1 WHEREAS, Dr. Schuler's push to make college more accessible
2 and affordable has led to a comprehensive career pathways
3 program that offers personalized learning experiences through
4 early college credit, internships, and career credentials, and
5 the passage of critical education legislation; and

6 WHEREAS, Students have earned more than 1,500 career
7 certifications in areas including computer programming,
8 manufacturing, and healthcare, completed nearly two million
9 hours of internship experiences, and annually earn 34,000 early
10 college credits; and

11 WHEREAS, The District now teaches computer science to all
12 12,000 students, and its six schools were among only seven in
13 the nation to pilot an iOS app development curriculum,
14 initiatives which were recognized by the White House; and

15 WHEREAS, Under Dr. Schuler's leadership, District 214
16 helped write, champion, and pass legislation requiring every
17 public Illinois college and university to accept Advanced
18 Placement scores of three or higher; and

19 WHEREAS, Dr. Schuler, with the support of a strong Board of
20 Education and an excellent staff, launched Redefining Ready!, a
21 national campaign that introduces multiple research-based

1 metrics to demonstrate post-secondary readiness, during his
2 time as 2015-2016 President of AASA, The School Superintendents
3 Association; and

4 WHEREAS, Redefining Ready! has received support from
5 thousands of educators across the country, and multiple states
6 adopted the framework as part of their state accountability
7 plans in the federal Every Student Succeeds Act; and

8 WHEREAS, Redefining Ready! has a multiple metric approach
9 that ensure students are seen as more than a single test score;
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11 WHEREAS, His work on Redefining Ready! has been published
12 in several publications, and he has testified about college and
13 career readiness before the United States Senate Committee on
14 Health, Education, Labor and Pensions and the House Committee
15 on Education and the Workforce; 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 Dr. David R. Schuler on receiving the prestigious
19 recognition as National Superintendent of the Year; and be it
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to Dr. Schuler as an expression of our esteem and
2 respect for his achievement.