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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Fire Chief Michael G. Hitzemann of the Bristol Kendall Fire Protection District on the occasion of his retirement on April 30, 2018 after 43 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Chief Hitzemann was born to Richard and Virginia Hitzemann on August 15, 1953; and

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WHEREAS, In April of 1975, Chief Hitzemann joined the Bristol Kendall Fire Protection District as a volunteer firefighter; during this time, he was a part of the committee that formulated the start of Bristol Kendall Emergency Medical Services; and

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WHEREAS, Between 1971 and 1979, Chief Hitzemann worked for the Homer G. Dickson Company as a plumber; from 1979 to 1994, he moved from part-owner to ultimately full-owner of the Yorkville Plumbing and Pump Company; and

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WHEREAS, In the early 1980s, Chief Hitzemann was promoted to lieutenant, and on May 1, 1987, he was elected by his peers as fire chief; and

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1           WHEREAS, During Chief Hitzemann's time as fire chief, he  
2 was a part of the committee that formulated 9-1-1 in Kendall  
3 County, which made Kendall County the first county wide 9-1-1  
4 dispatch center in the State of Illinois; and

5           WHEREAS, In 1995, Chief Hitzemann was named the Director of  
6 Communications of Kencom Public Safety Dispatch; he became full  
7 time chief of the Bristol Kendall Fire Protection District on  
8 May 1, 2006; and

9           WHEREAS, In addition to being a certified firefighter,  
10 Chief Hitzemann is a certified instructor, certified pension  
11 trustee, and a certified fire trustee; he is a member of the  
12 Illinois Fire Chiefs Association, the International  
13 Association of Fire Chiefs, the Illinois Professional  
14 Firefighters Association, and the Illinois Public Pension Fund  
15 Association; he also is a past vice president of the Yorkville  
16 Chamber of Commerce; and

17           WHEREAS, Previously, Chief Hitzemann was the past  
18 president of the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Division  
19 14 and a past member of the Waubensee Community College Fire  
20 Advisory Committee; and

21           WHEREAS, Chief Hitzemann is a current Alternate  
22 Representative of the KenCom Executive Board and the Treasurer

1 of the KenCom Executive Board; and

2 WHEREAS, Chief Hitzemann is a member of the KenCom  
3 Strategic Planning Committee, KenCom Personnel Committee,  
4 KenCom Bylaws Committee, and KenCom Negotiation Committee; and

5 WHEREAS, Chief Hitzemann is the sibling of Kim and Rick  
6 Hitzemann; he is the father of two daughters, Ann Regan and  
7 Cindy Petschke, married to sons-in-law, Kevin Regan and Steve  
8 Petschke; he is the proud grandfather of Patrick and William  
9 Regan, and his granddaughter is due to arrive near his  
10 birthday, August 15, 2018, which he shares with his grandson,  
11 William; and

12 WHEREAS, When Chief Hitzemann is not serving those in his  
13 community, he greatly enjoys fishing, golfing, woodworking,  
14 and traveling; and

15 WHEREAS, Chief Hitzemann is a true example of a selfless  
16 public servant who has devoted his entire career to helping his  
17 friends, family, and neighbors; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
19 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
20 congratulate Fire Chief Michael G. Hitzemann of the Bristol  
21 Kendall Fire Protection District on his retirement, and commend

1 and applaud him on a successful career filled with hard work,  
2 passion, and the constant drive to help his community and  
3 State; and be it further

4       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
5 presented Chief Hitzemann as a symbol of our respect and  
6 esteem.