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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Daniel Hoffman, the son of a postman, was born  
3 in Henry, Illinois; he taught himself to read by memorizing  
4 children's books; one of his favorite books, Dr. Dan the  
5 Bandage Man, instilled a lifelong love for medicine at a young  
6 age; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Hoffman graduated from the University of  
8 Illinois at Urbana in 1974; he knew the medical profession was  
9 the only future for him, so he attended medical school at the  
10 University of Illinois College of Medicine in Peoria; and

11 WHEREAS, During his time at medical school, Dr. Hoffman met  
12 his future wife, Linda Sargent; their marriage in 1977 was the  
13 beginning of a personal and professional partnership that  
14 produced two sons, Doug and Eric, and a successful medical  
15 practice; and

16 WHEREAS, From 1977 until 1981, Dr. Hoffman was a resident  
17 in internal medicine at St. Francis Medical Center; he wanted  
18 to practice medicine and raise his family in a town small  
19 enough where he could get to know everyone, but still big  
20 enough to have a McDonald's; with encouragement from his close  
21 friend, Dr. Charles Longwell, he left St. Francis Medical  
22 Center and moved to Good Samaritan Hospital in Mt. Vernon;

1 using his wife's training and experience as a certified medical  
2 office assistant and transcriptionist, they worked hard to  
3 establish his new practice, specializing in internal medicine  
4 and geriatrics; within three weeks, his schedule was full, and  
5 it remained that way for 37 years; and

6 WHEREAS, In 2007, Dr. Hoffman became a Certified Physician  
7 Executive at the American College of Physician Executives; in  
8 2008, he acquired his master's in medical management from Heinz  
9 College at Carnegie Mellon University; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Hoffman and his wife contribute to many  
11 philanthropic organizations, including the Cedarhurst Center  
12 for the Arts, where Linda became a Counselor Emeritus, and they  
13 have both donated their time, service, and financial support;  
14 both have a keen interest in promoting education through  
15 various venues, and Dr. Hoffman served on the board of Mt.  
16 Vernon Township High School for seven years, including serving  
17 as president; for the past 18 years, he has been the SSM Good  
18 Samaritan Hospital's Administrative Medical Director; he also  
19 puts his woodworking skills to the test each year for the YMCA  
20 Derby Days fundraiser by donating the table centerpieces as  
21 well as the wooden horses used in the fundraiser; and

22 WHEREAS, Dr. Hoffman and Linda plan to spend their  
23 retirement cooking, cruising, playing golf, and gardening;

1 most importantly, they are eager to spend more time with their  
2 children and grandchildren, including Andrew, Caleb, and a baby  
3 on the way; therefore, be it

4       RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
5 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
6 congratulate Dr. Daniel Hoffman on the occasion of his  
7 retirement from practicing medicine for 37 years; we commend  
8 his hard work, dedication, and accomplishments and thank him  
9 for his contributions to his community and the field he has  
10 loved from a young age; and be it further

11       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
12 presented to Dr. Hoffman as an expression of our esteem and  
13 respect.