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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate State Rep. Steven
4 Andersson on his retirement and recognize his years of service
5 to the State of Illinois; and

6 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson was born in Midlothian on August
7 15, 1964; he and his wife, Nanette, have been residents of
8 Geneva for 26 years; they have been married for 31 years and
9 have two children, Matthew and Sarah; and

10 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson earned his bachelor's degree from
11 Northern Illinois University in 1986 and his Juris Doctor from
12 Northern Illinois University in 1992, where he graduated Magna
13 Cum Laude; and

14 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson is a small business owner and has
15 been a licensed attorney for more than two decades; he is a
16 partner at the law firms of Mickey, Wilson, Weiler, Renzi and
17 Andersson, P.C. and the Elder Law Center, P.C.; and

18 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson has a long-standing history of
19 serving the local community; he served as a trustee and
20 treasurer on the Geneva Library District Board in addition to
21 being a Republican Precinct Committeeman for Geneva's 3rd

1 Precinct; and

2 WHEREAS, Eager to continue his public service, Rep.
3 Andersson was sworn in to serve the 65th Legislative District
4 of the Illinois House of Representative on January 2, 2015; and

5 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson has been a strong advocate for
6 mental health awareness during his service in the General
7 Assembly, backing legislation to support mental health issues
8 while promoting local initiatives in his 65th district
9 community; and

10 WHEREAS, In a massive undertaking, Rep. Andersson worked to
11 improve the criminal justice system as sponsor of House Bill
12 4584, making the fee structure for criminal and civil court
13 cases more manageable and transparent for Illinois residents;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson is a champion of bipartisanship and
16 worked diligently across the aisle; his support of the Equal
17 Rights Amendment is a great example of this, and his advocacy
18 has been integral in moving the initiative forward to secure
19 equality for all women; and

20 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson led the bipartisan effort to pass a
21 balanced State budget after 734 days of impasse; the

1 agreed-upon, timely budget came together through good honest
2 negotiations across party lines; and

3 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson has long supported historic
4 preservation and proudly served as the Co-Chair of the Illinois
5 Historic Preservation Caucus; in 2018, he was part of a
6 bipartisan effort to create a new Illinois Historic
7 Preservation Tax Credit to improve Illinois communities while
8 retaining the culture and history of the State; his efforts for
9 historic preservation culminated in being named Landmarks
10 Illinois 2018 Legislator of the Year; and

11 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson is a supporter of the environment;
12 he has been recognized annually by the Illinois Environmental
13 Council for his commitment to environmental issues; he has also
14 been a proponent of clean energy and held community forums to
15 discuss the issue with constituents and interest groups; and

16 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson created Gold Star Family Day in
17 Illinois through House Bill 4389 in the 99th General Assembly;
18 this day serves as a day to honor and commemorate the entire
19 families of the men and women who gave their lives while
20 serving their country; an important day, this legislation gives
21 military families the honor and recognition they truly deserve
22 in Illinois and across the country; and

1 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson served as the voice of the caucus
2 in his position as floor leader during the 100th General
3 Assembly and proudly led meaningful debates in the House of
4 Representatives; and

5 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson was recognized by various
6 organizations with awards for his work in the House of
7 Representatives, such as the Purple Tie Award for
8 Bi-Partisanship in 2018 by the Metro West Council of
9 Government, the Illinois Association of School Social Workers
10 Legislator of the Year, the Illinois Pork Producers Legislator
11 of the Year, the American Institute of Architects-Illinois
12 Legislator of the Year, and the Illinois Association of Park
13 Districts Legislator of the Year; and

14 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson is dedicated to serving as the
15 voice of his community; he led meaningful discussions with his
16 constituent advocacy group, the 65th District Dialogue; he
17 routinely visited local schools through the Principal for the
18 Day Program; his annual summer reading program has been wildly
19 popular among local students every year, and he happily
20 welcomed countless Pages for the Day and school groups in
21 Springfield; and

22 WHEREAS, Rep. Andersson has shown a great commitment to
23 improving Illinois, through his advocacy for effective

1 government reform and his compassion in serving his
2 constituents throughout his time in the House of
3 Representatives; 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 State Rep. Steven Andersson on his retirement and
7 recognize his years of service to the State of Illinois, and we
8 wish him the best in all his future endeavors; and be it
9 further

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