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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to thank Dr. Ann Rondeau for her service
4 to the students, faculty, and staff at the College of DuPage
5 and wish her well as she assumes a new position as the
6 President of the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey,
7 California; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. Rondeau holds a B.A. from Eisenhower College
9 in New York, an M.A. from Georgetown University in Washington,
10 D.C., and an Ed.D. from the College of Education at Northern
11 Illinois University, as well as an honorary Doctorate in Public
12 Service from Carthage College in Kenosha, Wisconsin and an
13 Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from the Rosalind Franklin
14 University of Medicine and Science; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Rondeau is an honorable veteran of the U.S.
16 Navy and served her country with distinction for 38 years; she
17 retired as a three-star admiral in 2012 and is the second woman
18 to ever achieve that rank; and

19 WHEREAS, Dr. Rondeau is a Fortune 500 Most Powerful Women
20 panelist and speaker; and

21 WHEREAS, Dr. Rondeau is a past president of the National

1 Defense University, a consortium of five colleges and nine
2 research centers in Washington, D.C.; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Rondeau's other previous positions include
4 Deputy Commander of the U.S. Transportation Command in
5 Illinois, Pentagon Director/Chief of Staff for the U.S. Navy
6 Staff, Commander of the Navy Personnel Development Command in
7 Virginia, Commander of the Naval Service Training Command at
8 Great Lakes, Pacific Fleet Staff Chief of Staff in Hawaii, and
9 Commanding Officer of Naval Support Activity in Tennessee; she
10 served as a White House Fellow in 1985 in the Reagan
11 administration; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Rondeau's dedication to service, education,
13 community, and country was demonstrated through active
14 membership on the Arizona State University Flag Officer
15 Advisory Council, the National Museum of the American Sailor
16 Foundation Board of Directors, the Naval Postgraduate School
17 Board of Advisors, the Military Advisory Board, the Dwight D.
18 Eisenhower Memorial Commission, the Chicago Regional Growth
19 Corporation Board, the Choose DuPage Board of Directors, the
20 Council for Higher Education Accreditation, and the Executive
21 Board of the U.S. Navy Education for Sea Power Study; and

22 WHEREAS, Dr. Rondeau joined the College of DuPage (COD) in
23 July of 2016 during a tumultuous time at the school; she was

1 the sixth president in the history of COD and the first woman
2 to hold the post; and

3 WHEREAS, The College of DuPage is regionally accredited by
4 the Higher Learning Commission; serving an approximately
5 25,000 students each term, it is the largest public community
6 college in the State of Illinois; it grants seven associate
7 degrees and offers more than 170 career and technical
8 certificates in over 50 areas of study; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Rondeau oversaw an annual operating budget of
10 approximately \$180 million and an annual revenue budget of
11 close to \$300 million; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Rondeau facilitated a comprehensive
13 rebuilding of trust at COD as she navigated the school through
14 multiple governance, financial, and personnel challenges; and

15 WHEREAS, During her tenure at COD, Dr. Rondeau took
16 meaningful steps to restore internal and external confidence in
17 the institution through dedication to individual and
18 institutional integrity; and

19 WHEREAS, Dr. Rondeau fostered a culture that drove positive
20 results by establishing and maintaining strong relationships
21 based on collaboration and participatory governance; and

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Rondeau will complete her service to the COD
2 at the end of 2018 and assume a new role as the president of the
3 Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California, where she
4 will work toward transforming and modernizing education in the
5 Navy and Marine Corps and bring a new emphasis on science,
6 technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education; therefore,
7 be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
9 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
10 congratulate Dr. Ann Rondeau on a job well-done at College of
11 DuPage and further congratulate her on her new position at the
12 Naval Postgraduate School; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to Dr. Rondeau as an expression of our esteem and
15 respect.