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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Douglas J. Banes on
4 his retirement after more than 50 years of dedicated service to
5 the working men and women of Illinois; and

6 WHEREAS, Doug Banes has been a member of the United
7 Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America since 1960,
8 originally joining Millwright Local 2158 in the Quad Cities;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Doug Banes showed his
11 dedication to his union and the rights of working men and
12 women, serving as the union's business representative and
13 business manager before moving to positions at the Council,
14 including the first Executive Secretary-Treasurer for the
15 Northern Illinois and Eastern Iowa District Council of
16 Carpenters; he became a member of the General Executive Board
17 in 1991, representing the Third District; he was elected
18 General Vice President of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters
19 and Joiners of America in 1995; and

20 WHEREAS, During his time in office, Doug Banes was driven
21 by his experience as an apprenticeship instructor to develop
22 industry-driven training for the union's millwright members;

1 he was instrumental in creating innovative training offered at
2 the International Training Center, a site that he regularly
3 visits to remind trainees that a positive attitude and
4 professionalism are as important on the job as technical
5 skills; and

6 WHEREAS, Doug Banes was also a founder of the Illowa
7 Labor/Management Committee, a pioneering initiative to improve
8 labor-management cooperation and promote the interests of
9 union members and contractors; and

10 WHEREAS, While serving on the Carpenters' General
11 Executive Board, Doug Banes led an effort to empower workers by
12 creating the Millwright Labor-Management Committee and the UBC
13 Pile Driving Committee; and

14 WHEREAS, Doug Banes has had the steadfast support of his
15 wife, Jan Johnson Banes, with whom he has enjoyed over 50 years
16 of marriage and shares the blessing of three children, Shelli,
17 Todd, and Margo, five grandchildren, and two
18 great-grandchildren; and

19 WHEREAS, Throughout the years, Doug Banes and Jan have
20 maintained close ties to their community, actively
21 participating in organizations including the Wild Turkey
22 Federation, Ducks Unlimited, and the Illinois Tree Farmer

1 Association; their commitment to conservation has led them to
2 place their own property in a conservation easement to preserve
3 it from future development; and

4 WHEREAS, For over 50 years, Doug Banes's dedication and
5 passions have enriched the lives of his coworkers and
6 neighbors; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
8 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 we thank Douglas J. Banes for his enduring commitment to
10 organized labor and Illinois' middle class and wish him a
11 joy-filled retirement; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to Douglas Banes as a symbol of our respect and
14 esteem.