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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to commend retired Fire Chief Robert Buck
4 for serving the Iroquois and Shelby Counties with dedication
5 and commitment while demonstrating public service and love of
6 community; and

7 WHEREAS, Robert Buck began his career at the Sheldon Fire
8 District in 1980, where he became an EMT in 1984 and worked on
9 the Township 8 Ambulance for the Iroquois Memorial Hospital;
10 he later became an EMT-Intermediate and a Firefighter 2; and

11 WHEREAS, Robert Buck served as the president of the
12 Eastern Illinois Mutual Fire Aid from 1988 to 1992; during his
13 tenure, he became a firefighter with the Watseka Fire
14 Department, where he helped battle three major fires and
15 assisted countless community members; and

16 WHEREAS, Robert Buck moved with this wife, Rhonda, to
17 Shelby County to be closer to family in 2000; his move also
18 marked the beginning of his firefighting career in Findlay,
19 where he became the fire and ambulance chief in 2003; in this
20 role, he was known as a mentor, friend, and leader; he also
21 helped start the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Division
22 64, where he served as president; and

1 WHEREAS, Robert Buck retired from his post as fire chief
2 in 2018; he served as the trustee president of the Fire
3 District, while he still answered calls as a firefighter,
4 until his retirement in 2020; and

5 WHEREAS, In retirement, Robert Buck enjoys boating and
6 spending time with his wife, his three children, his seven
7 grandchildren, and his 15 great-grandchildren; therefore, be
8 it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
10 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
11 we commend retired Fire Chief Robert Buck on his decades of
12 public service and wish him the best in his future endeavors;
13 and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to Robert Buck as an expression of our appreciation
16 for his years of hard work in his community.