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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to thank our colleague Representative Tim
4 Butler for his distinguished service to the people of the
5 State of Illinois; and

6 WHEREAS, Rep. Butler represented the people of the 87th
7 District, consisting of Logan, Menard, Sangamon, and Tazewell
8 counties, since 2015, bringing to the House more than 20 years
9 of work in public service for the people of Central Illinois;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, A native of Peoria who is proud to have been born
12 and raised in central Illinois, Rep. Butler is the youngest of
13 seven children and is the fourth-great grandson of Lewis
14 Barker, a state senator from Pope County who served during the
15 first four Illinois General Assemblies; and

16 WHEREAS, After earning his Bachelor of Arts in Political
17 Science from Eastern Illinois University in 1990, Rep. Butler
18 began his career in public service, ultimately serving as
19 district chief of staff to former Congressmen Ray LaHood and
20 Rodney Davis; and

21 WHEREAS, Rep. Butler has been an active community

1 volunteer for many years, including service on the boards of
2 Downtown Springfield, Inc., the Dirksen Congressional Center,
3 and the Springfield Road Runners Club; and

4 WHEREAS, Rep. Butler is a graduate of the Peoria Chamber
5 of Commerce's Community Leadership School; he was in Peoria's
6 1998 class of Forty Leaders Under 40 and was the 2007 recipient
7 of the Rod Steele National Volunteer of the Year award from the
8 Road Runners Club of America; and

9 WHEREAS, Rep. Butler's passion for service to Illinois and
10 for our State's rich history helped him rise to the position of
11 Assistant House Republican Leader as well to become a leading
12 advocate for issues regarding transportation, tourism, and
13 enhancing the economic benefits of our State's history and
14 culture; and

15 WHEREAS, Through his bipartisan work, Rep. Butler was a
16 leader in advancing improvements to Scott's Law to improve
17 public safety on Illinois' roadways; and

18 WHEREAS, Rep. Butler's dedication to our institutions and
19 history led to many pieces of legislation, including the
20 recognition of Illinois Statehood Day, which led to him being
21 selected as co-chair of the Illinois Bicentennial Commission;
22 and

1 WHEREAS, In recognition of his service, Rep. Butler has
2 twice been named a Friend of Agriculture by Illinois Farm
3 Bureau ACTIVATOR; he is a recipient of the Illinois Chamber of
4 Commerce Champion of Free Enterprise Award and has twice been
5 awarded the Guardian of Small Business Award from the National
6 Federation of Independent Business; he was the 2019 recipient
7 of the Illinois Association of Park Districts Outstanding
8 Legislative Leadership Award; he received the 2018
9 Environmental Leadership Award from the Illinois Environmental
10 Council and has been named Policymaker of the Year by the
11 Illinois Association of Museums; and

12 WHEREAS, Rep. Butler has also chaired or co-chaired
13 several legislative caucuses, including the Emergency
14 Management Caucus, the Diabetes Caucus, the Outdoor Caucus,
15 and the Route 66 Caucus; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
17 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
18 we thank Representative Tim Butler for his dedicated service
19 to the residents of the 87th District and the people of the
20 State of Illinois, and we wish him and his wife, Wendy, all the
21 best as he begins the next chapter of his life; and be it
22 further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to Rep. Butler as an expression of our esteem and
3 respect.