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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate William Edward "Ed"
4 Voltenburg on his retirement from the Findlay Fire Protection
5 District; and

6 WHEREAS, Ed Voltenburg was born to James and Joyce
7 Voltenburg in Tuscola on March 29, 1966; he was raised in
8 Arcola, graduating from Arcola High School in 1984; he married
9 Joy Binion in Sullivan on August 26, 2000; and

10 WHEREAS, Ed Voltenburg joined the Neoga Fire Department as
11 a volunteer fireman on April 6, 1986; and

12 WHEREAS, Ed Voltenburg proceeded to join the Cooks Mills
13 Fire Department as a firefighter in 1993, where he also served
14 on the Cooks Mills Fire Department Board and proved
15 instrumental in acquiring grant funding for a new fire station
16 with the help of State Representatives Julie Curry and Duane
17 Noland; and

18 WHEREAS, Ed Voltenburg left the Cooks Mills Fire
19 Department to serve the Sullivan Fire Department in 2000; and

20 WHEREAS, Ed Voltenburg later joined the Findlay Fire

1 Protection District in August 2007, where he served in a
2 number of leadership positions before ultimately being
3 appointed fire chief in 2013; and

4 WHEREAS, As a public servant, Ed Voltenburg has served as
5 a certified firefighter and a licensed EMT-Basic, and he has
6 excelled in fire investigations; and

7 WHEREAS, Outside of his duties as a firefighter, Ed
8 Voltenburg has worked as a driver for Gingerich, Inc. since
9 September 2001; he also started his own business, Voltenburg
10 Farms, in 2008, and he and his wife opened the short-term
11 vacation rental property, Binion Lodge, located adjacent to
12 Lake Shelbyville at Beaver Lake; and

13 WHEREAS, Ed Voltenburg has also served his community as a
14 precinct committeeman for Precinct 4 of Sullivan Township; and

15 WHEREAS, Ed Voltenburg is the father of one son, Nick
16 (Emily) Voltenburg; the grandfather of Pryor Voltenburg, with
17 one grandchild on the way; the stepfather of Theresa Lutz,
18 David Cookson, and Tamara Cookson; and a step-grandfather and
19 step-great-grandfather, as well; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE

1 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
2 we congratulate William Edward "Ed" Voltenburg on his
3 retirement from the Findlay Fire Protection District, thank
4 him for his outstanding service to his community, and wish him
5 success in his future endeavors; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to Ed Voltenburg as an expression of our esteem and
8 respect.