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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to  
3 congratulate Dan Gallagher on being elected as the new chief  
4 executive officer of Gallagher Asphalt Corporation in 2023;  
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WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher has been in paving most of his  
7 life; he began his career at Gallagher Asphalt Corporation in  
8 Thornton in 1987 as a third generation family member; and

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WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher is active in the Association of  
10 Asphalt Paving Technologists and the Illinois Asphalt Pavement  
11 Association, where he served as president; and

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WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher is a past chairman of the National  
13 Center for Asphalt Technology and was the chairman of the  
14 National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) in 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher serves on the Sustainability  
16 Committee at NAPA and is a recognized leader in infrastructure  
17 and transportation; and

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WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher understands that the foundation for  
19 economic development rests on the quality of the entire  
20 transportation system; and

1           WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher served on the Peoria Sustainability  
2 Commission as a long-standing member and as an advocate for  
3 permeable pavement in conjunction with the Combined Sewer  
4 Overflow (CSO) project; and

5           WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher serves on the diversity and  
6 executive boards of the Innovations Conference on  
7 Infrastructure and offers significant support to minority and  
8 women-owned business enterprises; and

9           WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher has worked closely with Dr.  
10 Al-Khafaji on the International Construction Innovations  
11 Conference (ICIC 2004 and ICIC 2006), ICAT conferences, and  
12 the Innovations Conference on Infrastructure; and

13           WHEREAS, For over a decade, Dan Gallagher served as the  
14 vice chair of the Sustainable Funding of Infrastructure Group  
15 of Illinois (SFIG), formed by past Illinois Senate President  
16 John Cullerton; and

17           WHEREAS, For the past two decades, Dan Gallagher worked  
18 with Dr. Amir Al-Khafaji to determine the annual guest list  
19 for the executive summits that brought world-class leaders  
20 from business, legislatures, government, and education to  
21 address the major problems facing the infrastructure industry;

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2 WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher traveled with Dr. Al-Khafaji as a  
3 speaker at an international conference in Egypt to present an  
4 article on funding sources of infrastructure in Illinois and a  
5 second article on funding of infrastructure at the federal  
6 level; and

7 WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher supported minority students,  
8 minority businesses, and the conferences led by Dr. Al-Khafaji  
9 that became premier events where leaders gathered to build new  
10 relationships and partnerships to help the State of Illinois  
11 and the United States; and

12 WHEREAS, The many conferences Dan Gallagher supported  
13 attracted such guests as the Prime Minister of Egypt, the  
14 President of the Illinois Senate, the Governor of Illinois,  
15 the U.S. Secretary of Transportation, the Illinois Secretary  
16 of Transportation, the Chicago Commissioner of Aviation, the  
17 Chairman of the Illinois Tollway Authority, and CEOs of some  
18 of the largest companies in the world; and

19 WHEREAS, For more than a decade, Dan Gallagher worked with  
20 Dr. Al-Khafaji to focus on the Illinois Capital Infrastructure  
21 funding with senators, house members, governors, and CEOs of  
22 major companies, including Caterpillar Inc., which helped

1 produce the \$45 billion Rebuild Illinois Capital bill in 2019;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher received the Sustainability Award  
4 from the executive board of the ICAT conference that was  
5 presented by then Illinois Senate President John Cullerton in  
6 2018; and

7 WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher is grateful for the love and  
8 support he has received from his family and especially his  
9 wife, Sarah, his daughter, Janie, his son, Donald, his son,  
10 William, his brother, Patrick, and his sisters, Peggy, Kerry,  
11 Mary, Collen, and Katie; and

12 WHEREAS, Dan Gallagher earned a Bachelor of Science in  
13 Mechanical Engineering from Purdue University; therefore, be  
14 it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL  
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Dan  
17 Gallagher on being elected as the new chief executive officer  
18 of Gallagher Asphalt Corporation and thank him for his service  
19 to the citizens of the State of Illinois, especially minority  
20 students, and for his work to make our country a better place  
21 for all; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to Dan Gallagher as a symbol of our esteem and  
3 respect for his work.