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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois are pleased to honor John Lord for his many years of service as the Naperville Municipal Band's sound engineer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lord valiantly served his country during World War II in General Patton's Third Army at the Battle of the Bulge; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lord went on to work for 5 years in radio and television at KGLO AM/FM/TV in Mason City, Iowa, where he met Ann Good of Naperville; they were married on August 14, 1954; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lord worked for DuKane Electronics in their Audio-Visual Division for 25 years; he acted as ringmaster for the Naperville Municipal Band Circus concerts; one memorable night with the band is when Mr. Lord impersonated Maurice Chevalier and sang "Thank Heaven for Little Girls" at a concert featuring Broadway songs; he served as the sound engineer for the Municipal Band for 45 years until he retired in 2002; and

WHEREAS, The Naperville Municipal Band was first organized in 1859 and became a municipal band in 1931; the band performs free outdoor concerts each Thursday night in Naperville's Central Park during the summer as well as several indoor concerts during the winter; the band is the proud recipient of the Sudler Silver Scroll Award and the Sudler Historic Band Award from the John Philip Sousa Foundation; in 2000, the band was chosen for the Local Legacy Award from the U.S. Library of Congress and the U.S. House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, At the weekly concert on Thursday, June 24, 2004, Mr. Lord will be honored with some special presentations for

1 his many years of service; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
3 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
4 honor John Lord for his many years of service as the Naperville  
5 Municipal Band's sound engineer; and be it further

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