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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Earl Struck, President and CEO of the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives (AIEC), is retiring after 27 years with the Association; and

WHEREAS, In his position as President and CEO, Mr. Struck directed a staff of professional and support personnel that provide specialized utility service to the 24 not-for-profit electric distribution cooperatives and two generation and transmission cooperatives operating in Illinois; with more than 54,117 miles of line, the Association's members provide electric service to more than 600,000 Illinoisans, located in 86 Illinois counties; and

WHEREAS, Before assuming responsibilities as the Association's CEO, he was responsible for directing the governmental affairs program for Illinois electric cooperatives at the state and national level; prior to joining the AIEC, he served on the legislative staff of the Illinois Farm Bureau; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Struck is well-known in the State House and is a former Speaker of the Illinois Third House, the organization of all Illinois lobbyists; he has served on a variety of national electric cooperative committees and task forces, as well as several advisory committees to the Illinois General Assembly; he and his wife Sherry reside in Springfield; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Earl Struck on the occasion of his retirement as President and CEO of the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives (AIEC); and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to Earl Struck as an expression of our respect and  
3 esteem and with best wishes for a peaceful and relaxing  
4 retirement.