



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Harold A. Spence III was born on March 4, 1953 in  
3 Stubenville, Ohio; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Spence graduated from Eureka High School in  
5 1971 and from Illinois Central College in 1979 with degrees in  
6 Police Science and Arts and Science; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Spence served as a police officer for the City  
8 of Eureka for 2 years; and

9 WHEREAS, He joined the Illinois State Police as a cadet in  
10 May of 1980 and was assigned to District 10 in Champaign after  
11 graduation from the Academy; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1982, he was transferred to District 08 in  
13 Peoria, where he served in a variety of positions, including  
14 Field Training Officer, CPR & First Aid Instructor, Academy  
15 Illinois Vehicle Code Instructor, and District Tactical  
16 Response Team Member and Squad Supervisor; and

17 WHEREAS, He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 1988,  
18 Master Sergeant in 1991, and Lieutenant in August of 1997; and

19 WHEREAS, He was transferred to District 16 in Pecatonica as  
20 Operations Commander in September of 1997 and was promoted to  
21 the rank of Captain in 2003; and

22 WHEREAS, Captain Spence has participated in the State  
23 Police mentoring program since 2001; and

24 WHEREAS, In 2000, Captain Spence was awarded a Lifesaving  
25 Award; and

26 WHEREAS, Captain Spence retired on February 28, 2006;

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
3 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
4 we congratulate Captain Harold A. Spence III on the occasion of  
5 his retirement from the Illinois State Police after 26 years of  
6 service; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to Captain Spence as an expression of our respect and  
9 esteem and best wishes for a happy retirement.