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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Officer Alton 4 Parker Jr. on the occasion of his retirement from the Belvidere 5 Police Department on July 1, 2008; and

6 WHEREAS, Officer Alton Parker Jr. began working for the 7 Belvidere Police Department on January 30, 1982; he served as a 8 detective, school resource officer, D.A.R.E. officer, and 9 patrol officer during his 26 years of distinguished service; 10 and

11 WHEREAS, Officer Alton Parker Jr. was the recipient of 12 numerous commendations for his service to the citizens of Belvidere; he received two Commendations of Valor 13 for 14 extinguishing a fire and evacuating patients from Highland 15 Hospital in December of 1990 and for an armed encounter in which he saved the life of a Deputy in January of 1996; he was 16 17 honored as the VFW Officer of the Year; he was also credited 18 with helping to solve a murder investigation in 1987; and

19 WHEREAS, Officer Alton Parker Jr.'s dedication to his 20 profession and his willingness to serve his community make him 21 a model for the people of the State of Illinois; therefore, be 22 it HR1409 -2- LRB095 21734 GRL 51945 r

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 3 congratulate Officer Alton Parker Jr. on the occasion of his 4 retirement and wish him continued success and happiness in the 5 future; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 7 presented to Officer Alton Parker Jr. as a symbol of our esteem 8 and respect.