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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate Lieutenant Commander Paul J. McNabb on the occasion of his retirement as Senior Naval Science Instructor of the East Aurora High School Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps on August 31, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, Lt. Cmdr. Paul McNabb has had a long and distinguished career with the United States Navy; he entered the Navy on July 7, 1972 as a Naval Flight Officer Candidate; he received his wings as a Naval Flight Officer in June of 1973; from 1974 to 1976, he served in Fighter Squadron 103, based out of Oceana, Virginia, where he flew off the U.S.S. Saratoga; in April of 1982, he was commissioned as a Navy Chaplain and sent to serve on the U.S.S. Simon Lake, based out of St. Mary's, Georgia; in 1984, he served as station chaplain of Glenview NAS in Glenview; he was later transferred to the United States Marine Corps to serve as Battalion Chaplain of the 7th Engineer Battalion, First Service Support Group at Camp Pendleton, California; in 1990, he was sent to Marine Air Group 14 in Cherry Pt., North Carolina, where he remained until his retirement from active service on December 1, 1995; and

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WHEREAS, Following his retirement from active service, Lt.

1 Cmdr. Paul McNabb began a Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training
2 Corps (NJROTC) at East Aurora High School; he began the program
3 by recruiting from April to May of 1996; by August of 1996, he
4 was teaching classes, with a total enrollment of 165 cadets;
5 today, the program is more successful than ever, with an
6 average enrollment of over 500 cadets for more than five years
7 in a row; and

8 WHEREAS, Under Lt. Cmdr. Paul McNabb's inspired
9 leadership, the East Aurora High School NJROTC has gained much
10 acclaim for its dedication and hard work; the organization was
11 selected as "Best New Unit" in Area Nine NJROTC in 1996; the
12 NJROTC has also been the recipient of the "CNET Unit" award in
13 1998, the "Distinguished Unit" award from 2002 to 2008, the
14 "Area Best Unit" in 2003, 2005, and 2007; in addition, Lt.
15 Cmdr. McNabb was nominated as Kane County Educator of the Year
16 in 1998 and received the "Superintendent's" award from the Kane
17 County office; and

18 WHEREAS, Lt. Cmdr. Paul McNabb serves as a model of hard
19 work, integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
20 Illinois; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
22 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
23 congratulate Lieutenant Commander Paul J. McNabb on the

1 occasion of his retirement and wish him many happy and healthy
2 retirement years; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to Lt. Cmdr. Paul McNabb as a symbol of our esteem
5 and respect.