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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Greg DeCoursey on
4 the occasion of his retirement as head baseball coach of
5 Marquette Catholic High School after 33 years of dedicated
6 service; and

7 WHEREAS, When Greg DeCoursey took the position of head
8 baseball coach in 1977, the Marquette Catholic High School went
9 8-13 and gained little notice; however, within the next decade,
10 Marquette would enjoy its finest run in school history,
11 claiming Class A championships in 1980 and 1984 at Springfield
12 and finishing second to Peru St. Bede in 1988; under Mr.
13 DeCoursey's direction, the 1980 team won a school-record 31
14 games and Marquette went 243-78 during the decade; and

15 WHEREAS, Greg DeCoursey ended his baseball coaching career
16 with an astounding 641-351-2 record, the 8th best on the
17 all-time IHSA win list; his record gives him the most victories
18 among coaches in southwestern Illinois; overall, his teams
19 captured 15 regional and seven sectional championships and
20 advanced to the IHSA finals seven times, compiling an 8-5 mark;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, Following his retirement as head baseball coach,

1 Greg DeCoursey will continue to serve as an assistant principal
2 and physical education teacher at Marquette Catholic High
3 School; and

4 WHEREAS, Greg DeCoursey serves as a model of hard work,
5 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
6 Illinois; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
9 congratulate Greg DeCoursey on the occasion of his retirement
10 and wish him continued success and happiness in the future; and
11 be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to Greg DeCoursey as a symbol of our esteem and
14 respect.