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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Thomas Many, Ed.D, has been a superintendent for 20 years, serving 6 years in Mount Prospect School District 57 and the last 14 years in Kildeer Countryside Community Consolidated School District 96; and

WHEREAS, Some of his many accomplishments as superintendent include: advocating parental involvement by hosting community-wide Search Conferences, completing parent satisfaction surveys, and overseeing the creation of the Parent to Parent Network; he implemented the Professional Learning Communities model; and he improved the District's overall rank in the State from 55th to 9th; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he increased the average level of student achievement from 85% to 96.5%, exceeding State standards; he saw an increase of fewer than 60% to almost 80% in reading and over 90% in math of special education students and from 69% to over 85% of ELL students meeting or exceeding State standards in reading; and

WHEREAS, Under his leadership, District 96 received Illinois Honor Roll Awards for academic excellence and academic improvements; and the four elementary schools under his guidance received the Illinois Association for Health,

- 1 Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (IAHPERD) Blue
- 2 Ribbon status for their physical education programs; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Dr. Many has authored many articles on the
- 4 Professional Learning Community Model and its effect on his
- 5 District; he has co-authored Learning By Doing, a Handbook for
- 6 Professional Learning Communities At Work and True North: A
- 7 Systems Approach to aligning Professional Learning Communities
- 8 from the Classroom to the Boardroom; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Dr. Many is the father of Beth and Abbie, who are
- 10 both teachers, and Ben, who is a student at the University of
- 11 Illinois-Urbana Champaign; Dr. Many plans to move to Colorado
- 12 after his retirement and speaking nationwide to school
- 13 districts on the implementation of Professional Learning
- 14 Communities; therefore, be it
- 15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 16 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 17 congratulate Dr. Many on his retirement and wish him continued
- success in the future; and be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 20 presented to Dr. Thomas Many as a symbol of our respect and
- 21 esteem.