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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

Illinois 2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives are pleased to honor our esteemed colleague, 4 Illinois State Representative Jay Hoffman, for his years of 5 dedicated service to the people of Illinois; and 6 WHEREAS, Jay Hoffman was born on November 6, 1961 in 7 Highland; he earned his bachelor's degree in finance from 8 Illinois State University in 1983 and graduated from the Saint 9 Louis University School of Law in 1986; and 10 WHEREAS, A proud father, Representative Hoffman and his wife, Laurie, are the parents of their wonderful daughters, 11 12 Emily and Katelyn; and 13 WHEREAS, Representative Hoffman was first elected to serve as State Representative in 1991; he has served the people of 14 the Metro East with dedication and distinction ever since; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Among the many areas where Representative Hoffman 17 has helped improve the quality of life in the Metro East, his 18 efforts to secure hundreds of millions of dollars in transportation, road, and infrastructure investment have been 19 20 extraordinarily successful; and

WHEREAS, As Chairman of the Transportation and Motor Vehicles Committee, Representative Hoffman successfully secured funding to expand Illinois Routes 64, 157, 159, and 255, and led the fight for the expansion of Metro-Link; he also fought to advance vital repair work on the McKinley Bridge and

construction of a new bridge across the Mississippi River; and

WHEREAS, Representative Hoffman is a tireless champion for Illinois working families and has stood at the forefront of efforts to increase the minimum wage, improve workplace safety, create a stronger local economy that provides good paying jobs for his constituents, and spearhead economic development projects that put tens of thousands of people to work; and

WHEREAS, Representative Hoffman used his legal knowledge to make Illinois a safer place by working with law enforcement officials to make it easier for them to track, catch, and prosecute dangerous criminals; he was one of the first legislators to acknowledge and address the serious problem of violence in schools by sponsoring legislation to keep kids safe in Illinois classrooms; and

WHEREAS, As a father, Representative Hoffman has always understood the value of a good education; he consistently brought home more money for local schools and worked to ensure that the increased funding that was allocated for education was

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- 1 going directly to the classroom; and
- WHEREAS, Above all else, Representative Hoffman is an
- 3 effective legislator who works with both sides of the aisle to
- 4 get results for his constituents and improve the State of
- 5 Illinois; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 7 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 8 congratulate and thank State Representative Jay Hoffman for his
- 9 many years of service to the people of Illinois and wish him
- 10 success in all of his future endeavors; and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to State Representative Jay Hoffman as a symbol of
- 13 the esteem and respect we have for our colleague and friend.