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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Noel Oliver on his  
4 retirement as Director of the McDonough County 9-1-1 system;  
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6           WHEREAS, Noel Oliver was born in 1944 in East St. Louis; as  
7 a young man he was a very active member of the Boy Scouts and  
8 began to develop his leadership skills as well as a sense of  
9 commitment to public service, both of which have been his  
10 lifelong trademark; he graduated from East St. Louis Senior  
11 High School and has since attended Southern Illinois University  
12 at East St. Louis, Grossmont Jr. College in El Cajon,  
13 California, Western Illinois University, Sangamon State  
14 University, and the University of Virginia; and

15           WHEREAS, In 1965, he married his high school sweetheart,  
16 Judy R. Abbett, and they have a son, Adam; and

17           WHEREAS, He started his career in law enforcement with the  
18 St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department in 1964; he began  
19 there as a cadet, writing parking tickets in downtown St.  
20 Louis, and was later assigned a walking beat in the downtown  
21 area; and

1           WHEREAS, He began his career with the Illinois State Police  
2 in 1968; by finishing with the top academic score, he was  
3 allowed to select his assignment within the State and selected  
4 the Macomb district without ever having been to the area; and

5           WHEREAS, In 1972, he was promoted to Corporal and assigned  
6 a supervisor role in the nine counties of District 14; in 1976,  
7 he was promoted to Sergeant and assigned to the Springfield  
8 office as the Director of Statewide Air Operations, the Command  
9 Center, the Hazardous Materials Section, and the Vehicle  
10 Investigations Unit; in 1978, he was promoted to Lieutenant and  
11 returned to Macomb as second-in-command; in 1979, he was  
12 promoted to Captain and assigned as the District Commander of  
13 District 14 in Macomb; and

14           WHEREAS, In 1986, he was selected to serve as a visiting  
15 lecturer to the Taiwan National Police Academy; his main  
16 emphasis was to teach a new and developing approach to handling  
17 hostage situations; and

18           WHEREAS, In 1989, he was selected to attend and later  
19 graduated from the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia  
20 for advanced training; and

21           WHEREAS, He retired from the Illinois State Police in 1993;  
22 shortly after retirement he was selected to create an Enhanced

1 9-1-1 system for McDonough County from scratch; he laid the  
2 groundwork for the current system and served in that capacity  
3 until a director could be selected to begin the actual  
4 operations; and

5 WHEREAS, In 1993, he was selected to serve as a Traffic  
6 Safety Consultant with the Illinois Department of  
7 Transportation and Eastern Illinois University; beginning in  
8 1995, he developed a marketing company to provide select  
9 equipment to law enforcement agencies in the Midwest; his  
10 hand-selected products included Stop Sticks and Fatal Vision  
11 goggles; and

12 WHEREAS, In February of 2003, he was recruited to again  
13 take a role in the local 9-1-1 system and serve as an Interim  
14 Director; in his position as director of 9-1-1, he serves on  
15 the McDonough County Employee Safety Committee, the Employee  
16 Handbook Committee, the Local Emergency Planning Committee,  
17 and the Geographic Information System Committee; therefore, be  
18 it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
20 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
21 we congratulate Noel Oliver on his retirement and wish him all  
22 the best in his future endeavors; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to Noel Oliver as a symbol of our respect and esteem.