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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Mary Ann Kalis of
4 Elmhurst on the occasion of her retirement after many years of
5 service as principal of Lincoln School in Elmhurst; and

6 WHEREAS, Mary Ann Kalis earned her bachelor's degree in Art
7 Education from Illinois State University in 1973; she
8 subsequently earned her master's degree in education from
9 Northern Illinois University in 1978 and has done doctoral work
10 in educational leadership at the University of Illinois at
11 Urbana-Champaign; and

12 WHEREAS, Mary Ann Kalis has served as principal of Lincoln
13 School in Elmhurst since 1996; during her tenure at Lincoln
14 School, she developed a sterling reputation as a capable and
15 effective leader; she was also instrumental in the creation of
16 numerous programs at the school, including school-based
17 initiatives in reading and phonemic awareness and in-district
18 Principal Leadership sessions in order to foster opportunities
19 for principals to share, communicate, and learn from each
20 other; and

21 WHEREAS, Prior to her stint at Lincoln School, Mary Ann
22 Kalis served as a coordinator for the University of Illinois

1 Medical School in Chicago from 1979 to 1983; she subsequently
2 served as Assistant Principal for Curriculum at the Immaculate
3 Conception High School in Elmhurst from 1990 to 1994 and as an
4 assistant principal and interim principal at both Jackson
5 School and Emerson School in Elmhurst from 1995 to 1996; and

6 WHEREAS, Mary Ann Kalis has been a member of the
7 Professional Staff Development and Principal Evaluation
8 committees of the DuPage Regional Office of Education and the
9 Boards of the Elmhurst Foundation for Excellence and the DuPage
10 Region of the Illinois Principals' Association; she also served
11 as director of the DuPage Region of the Illinois Principals'
12 Association; and

13 WHEREAS, Mary Ann Kalis has served as a model of hard work,
14 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
15 Illinois; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
17 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
18 we congratulate Mary Ann Kalis on the occasion of her
19 retirement and wish her many happy and healthy retirement
20 years; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
22 presented to Mary Ann Kalis as a symbol of our esteem and

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1 respect.