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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate James Dykstra of
4 Elgin on the occasion of his retirement from the Streamwood
5 Fire Department on October 25, 2011, after over 30 years of
6 service; and

7 WHEREAS, James Dykstra earned his Associate in Applied
8 Science degree from Thornton Community College in December of
9 1980; and

10 WHEREAS, James Dykstra was hired as a career firefighter
11 for the Streamwood Fire Department on September 21, 1981; he
12 was a founding member of the Department's Fire Investigation
13 Team; and

14 WHEREAS, James Dykstra earned numerous State of Illinois
15 Certifications during his career; on April 23, 1990, he was
16 awarded the "Firefighter III" and "Fire Apparatus Engineer"
17 certificates; on June 25, 1990, he earned "HazMat First
18 Responder Operations" status; on June 12, 1990, he became a
19 "Fire Prevention Officer"; on November 30, 1990, he earned the
20 "Fire Investigator" designation; on March 21, 1991, he
21 completed "Provisional Fire Officer Instructor I"; on January
22 27, 2003, he received "Certified Fire Officer I"; and

1 WHEREAS, On February 28, 1999, James Dykstra earned the
2 "Disaster Service Medal" from the Streamwood Fire Department
3 for participating in a structure fire and for the 1999
4 microburst; and

5 WHEREAS, James Dykstra and his wife, Sharee, have one son,
6 Michael; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 we congratulate James Dykstra on the occasion of his retirement
10 and wish him many happy and healthy retirement years; and be it
11 further

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