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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Gary H. Rieman on
4 being the recipient of the 2012 Dare to Lead Award, presented
5 by the International Leadership Network; and

6 WHEREAS, A native of Wisconsin, he began his journey in
7 higher education by earning a Bachelor of Arts degree and
8 Doctor of Laws degree from the University of Wisconsin in
9 Madison; and

10 WHEREAS, He and his wife, Phyllis, had the good sense to
11 move to Evanston, where they began their family; and

12 WHEREAS, He began his professional career working for W.
13 Clement Stone as a professional assistant, specializing in
14 philanthropic programs providing scholarships and loan
15 programs for pastors, lawyers, community service, and youth
16 service personnel; and

17 WHEREAS, Gary H. Rieman became the first Director of the
18 Illinois Designated Account Purchase Program in 1977, making
19 him the architect of the State of Illinois' first student loan
20 secondary market; and

1 WHEREAS, Under his leadership, the Illinois Designated
2 Account Purchase Program grew to become one of the nation's
3 premier student loan secondary markets, assisting thousands of
4 Illinois students in avoiding going into default by providing
5 affordable loan repayment programs; and

6 WHEREAS, He is a nationally recognized student loan expert
7 and advocate of simplifying the student financial aid process;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, He assisted in the creation of the National
10 Council on Youth Leadership, a program that has grown into a
11 national network of chapters providing leadership training and
12 recognition for students in their communities; and

13 WHEREAS, During the last 30 years, the National Council on
14 Youth Leadership has provided an annual 4-day leadership
15 training conference at Washington University in St. Louis; and

16 WHEREAS, Recognizing the need to train students in middle
17 and junior high school, the National Council on Youth
18 Leadership began the International Leadership Network in 1980
19 to continue the tradition of recognizing students in their
20 local communities and to provide training and support for the
21 development of youth; and

1 WHEREAS, He has served as Chairman of the Board of the
2 National Council on Youth Leadership and presently serves as
3 secretary of the National Council on Youth Leadership and as
4 treasurer of the International Leadership Network; and

5 WHEREAS, On May 4, 2012, he will be recognized by the
6 International Leadership Network as the recipient of the 2012
7 Dare to Lead Award, the organization's highest award; and

8 WHEREAS, He has labored tirelessly on behalf of students of
9 all ages for nearly 50 years; he is living proof that one
10 person can truly make a difference, and has shown that with
11 intellect, grace, and humor; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
14 we congratulate Gary H. Rieman on being the recipient of the
15 2012 Dare to Lead Award, presented by the International
16 Leadership Network; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to Gary H. Rieman as a symbol of our respect and
19 esteem.