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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois General Assembly wish to honor and congratulate State Representative Angelo "Skip" Saviano on his 20 years of service to the people of Illinois and the 77th Representative District; and

WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano was born in Chicago and later moved to Elmwood Park where he was raised and is currently raising his family; and

WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano began his career in 1989 when elected as the Leyden Township Supervisor and served for 4 years before being elected to the Illinois General Assembly; he took office in January 1993; and

WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano was appointed chairman of the Registration and Regulation Committee in 1995, and was reappointed to this chairmanship in 1997, becoming the first member of a minority caucus to hold the title of chairman in recent history; and

WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano was instrumental in many local projects including the Franklin Park Underpass; and

WHEREAS, By the Governor's appointment, Representative

1 "Skip" Saviano was appointed to the Guardian and Advocacy
2 Commission in 2007; and

3 WHEREAS, By appointment of the 4 legislator leaders of the
4 Illinois General Assembly, Representative "Skip" Saviano was
5 appointed co-chair of the Joint Committee on Administrative
6 Rules (JCAR) in 2009; and

7 WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano was known to be a
8 staunch advocate for those constituents with special needs,
9 most notably, his accomplishments with protecting the rights of
10 men, women, and children diagnosed with Autism Spectrum
11 Disorder; he was named the AutismOne Legislator of the Year
12 because of his efforts; and

13 WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano was continuously
14 recognized for his work on behalf of the working class and was
15 a known friend to labor organizations; and

16 WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano has been the key
17 negotiator on numerous amounts of key legislation and has
18 consistently worked across the aisle for the betterment of the
19 State of Illinois; and

20 WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano has been awarded
21 hundreds of distinctions and honors including the Illinois

1 Association of Chiefs of Police Legislator of the Year,
2 Associated Fire Fighters of Illinois Legislator of the Year,
3 Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans Joseph Cardinal
4 Bernardin Humanitarian of the Year, and the NEDSRA and People
5 with Disabilities Legislator of the Year; and

6 WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano received the 2012
7 Golden Horseshoe Lifetime Achievement Award for this complete
8 perseverance and commitment to the People of the State of
9 Illinois; and

10 WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano has always
11 maintained an "open-door" policy and he has always welcomed any
12 constituent to visit his office; and

13 WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano has demonstrated a
14 deep commitment to both his district and constituents, and has
15 earned a reputation as someone who will persistently seek out
16 answers and results; and

17 WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano is an exceptional
18 chef known throughout the entire State and has served as a
19 celebrity chef for many organizations; and

20 WHEREAS, Representative "Skip" Saviano has thrown the end
21 of session party for several years to show his appreciation for

1 all of the work and dedication staff puts into the legislative
2 process; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
5 Representative "Skip" Saviano has demonstrated a deep
6 commitment to both his district and constituents, and has
7 earned a reputation as someone who will persistently seek out
8 answers and results; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, Representative "Skip" Saviano will be sorely
10 missed in Springfield and throughout the 77th district, and the
11 Illinois General Assembly wishes him success in his future
12 endeavors; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to Representative Angelo "Skip" Saviano as an
15 expression of our esteem and respect.