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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Glenn "Max" McGee,
4 Ph.D., on his retirement as president of the Illinois
5 Mathematics and Science Academy as of June 30, 2013; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. McGee has served as president of the Illinois
7 Mathematics and Science Academy (IMSA) since 2007, where he has
8 extended and deepened IMSA's statewide presence with the
9 opening of 3 field offices, expanded programs and services, and
10 launched an online teaching and learning initiative; he is
11 recognized as a dynamic leader, speaker, and writer on critical
12 issues in educational policy and practice; and

13 WHEREAS, In 2009, Dr. McGee led the academy to receive
14 Intel's "Star Innovator Award" as the top high school in
15 America and guided the academy through periods of significant
16 challenges; as a member of the Illinois P-20 Council and
17 co-chair of the Data, Assessment, and Accountability
18 Committee, he continually strives to ensure that all students
19 receive the opportunities for access to the highest quality of
20 education; in his P-20 role, he was instrumental in leading the
21 design and development of the new Illinois State report card,
22 which was passed unanimously by the General Assembly; and

1 WHEREAS, Prior to coming to the IMSA, Dr. McGee served as
2 the State Superintendent of Education and has been a teacher,
3 principal, and district superintendent; as State
4 Superintendent of Education he worked to increase funding for
5 reading, early childhood education, and technology acquisition
6 as well as ensure that every Illinois high school junior had
7 the opportunity to take the ACT; he currently serves on the
8 board of directors of the Golden Apple Foundation, the Great
9 Books Foundation, the P-20 Council, the Illinois Association
10 for Gifted Children, and the Diversifying Higher Education
11 Faculty in Illinois; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. McGee is a regular speaker at State and
13 national conferences; he has published several articles and
14 coauthored 2 books; his published research on high-achieving,
15 high-poverty schools that have closed the achievement gap has
16 garnered State and national attention for identifying how
17 schools and communities can help all students succeed; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. McGee credits his family with being his
19 inspiration; he and his wife, Jan, the executive director of
20 the Associated Colleges of Illinois' Center for Success in High
21 Needs Schools, have 3 children, one grandson, and 2
22 granddaughters; therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

1 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
2 we recognize Dr. Glenn McGee on his retirement as president of
3 the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy, thank him for his
4 dedication to the education of Illinois students, and wish him
5 well in all his future endeavours; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to Dr. Glenn McGee as an expression of our esteem and
8 respect.