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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Harold "Hap" Gilbert on the occasion of his retirement as Mayor of the Village of Forsyth on May 6, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Harold Gilbert was born on April 4, 1940, in the Blue Mound area; he married his loving wife, Donna, on April 25, 1959; and

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WHEREAS, Harold Gilbert graduated from MacArthur High School in 1958; he subsequently earned his associate's degree in industrial technology from Richland Community College; and

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WHEREAS, Harold Gilbert served his country with pride as a member of the National Guard from 1958 to 1962; and

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WHEREAS, Harold Gilbert was employed at Caterpillar, Inc. for nearly 44 years until his retirement on December 1, 2002; and

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WHEREAS, Harold Gilbert was elected to serve as Mayor of the Village of Forsyth in 2001 and was reelected to the position in 2005 and 2009; he formerly served as a village trustee for 22 years; and

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1 WHEREAS, Harold Gilbert enjoys bowling, golf, antiquing,
2 and spending time with his grandchildren; and

3 WHEREAS, Harold Gilbert and his wife have 2 sons, Eric and
4 Tim, and 7 grandchildren; and

5 WHEREAS, Harold Gilbert serves as a model of hard work,
6 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
7 Illinois; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
9 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
10 we congratulate Harold "Hap" Gilbert on the occasion of his
11 retirement as Mayor of the Village of Forsyth and wish him
12 continued success and happiness in the future; and be it
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to Harold Gilbert as a symbol of our esteem and
16 respect.