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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate William Janas as he
4 retires from his position at the Nabisco Bakery after 40 years
5 of dedicated service; and

6 WHEREAS, William Janas was born in Anna on August 4, 1952,
7 the same year that the Nabisco Bakery was opened at 7300 South
8 Kedzie Avenue in Chicago; and

9 WHEREAS, William Janas was raised by his mother and
10 grandparents in the shadow of the Nabisco Bakery in Chicago's
11 Marquette Park neighborhood; he was a graduate of Nativity of
12 the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Grade School, and, after
13 attending 3 different high schools in 3 different states, he
14 graduated from St. Bonaventure High School in Sturtevant,
15 Wisconsin; and

16 WHEREAS, After being encouraged by his uncle George Janas,
17 Business Manager for District 8 of the International
18 Association of Machinists, William Janas started his career at
19 the Nabisco Bakery as an apprentice machinist on October 23,
20 1973; and

21 WHEREAS, William Janas trained at Washburne Trade School,

1 graduated from the 4-year apprenticeship program, and then
2 dedicated himself to a career where he repaired and maintained
3 the many different machines that produce the Nabisco products
4 that are enjoyed by many throughout the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, William Janas has also been a member of Local 49
6 of the International Association of Machinists and volunteered
7 his time throughout the years as a steward and a member of the
8 contract negotiating committee; and

9 WHEREAS, Throughout his 40 years at the Nabisco Bakery,
10 William Janas worked countless hours of overtime, and through
11 this dedication and sacrifice, he and his wife, Patricia, were
12 able to put their 2 children through college; and

13 WHEREAS, Despite the long hours he dedicated to his job,
14 William Janas volunteered as a coach for many Darien Youth Club
15 soccer, basketball, and baseball teams and he is known amongst
16 his friends, family, and neighbors for giving baskets full of
17 Nabisco cookies during the Holiday season and for special
18 occasions; and

19 WHEREAS, For the last 5 years, William Janas has worked as
20 a planner at the Nabisco Bakery; and

21 WHEREAS, William Janas's 40-year career will be celebrated

1 on his last day at work on February 7, 2014; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
3 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
4 we congratulate William Janas on the occasion of his retirement
5 from the Nabisco Bakery, thank him for being a model of hard
6 work and commitment to his family and community, and wish him
7 all the best in his future endeavors; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to William Janas as an expression of our esteem and
10 respect.