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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Michael Semkiu, the Chief of Police in Mount
3 Prospect, will retire on June 17, 2014 after 31 years of
4 distinguished service to the citizens of Mount Prospect; and

5 WHEREAS, Chief Semkiu joined the Mount Prospect Police
6 Department on April 1, 1983; he was promoted to Sergeant in May
7 of 1998 and to Commander in 2002; he was subsequently promoted
8 to Deputy Chief of Administrative Services in 2004 and finally
9 to Chief of Police on June 5, 2012; and

10 WHEREAS, Chief Semkiu is a graduate of Loyola University
11 with a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Juris Doctor degree
12 from John Marshall Law School; he is a 2004 graduate of the
13 Northwestern University's Center for Public Safety School of
14 Police Staff and Command and a 2011 graduate of the
15 Northwestern University's Center for Public Safety Executive
16 Management Program; he received the Center's "Public Safety
17 Leadership Award" that same year; and

18 WHEREAS, During his career with the Mount Prospect Police
19 Department, Chief Semkiu received numerous honors and awards,
20 including the Department's "Runner-up Officer of the Year"
21 award in 1993 and the Cook County Sheriff's "Award of Merit" in
22 2011; and

1 WHEREAS, Chief Semkiu has served on the Cook County Child
2 Advocacy Center Advisory Board and the Northwest Suburban
3 Alliance on Domestic Violence Committee; and

4 WHEREAS, As a licensed attorney, Chief Semkiu is a member
5 of both the Illinois State Bar Association and the Chicago Bar
6 Association; and

7 WHEREAS, The Mount Prospect Police Department is an
8 exemplary professional organization, thanks in large part to
9 the culture of leadership and service that was nurtured by its
10 command staff, with Chief Semkiu setting the course; and

11 WHEREAS, After his retirement from the Mount Prospect
12 Police Department, Chief Semkiu plans to spend more time with
13 his family and enjoy a less hectic pace of life; therefore, be
14 it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
16 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
17 we congratulate Chief Michael Semkiu on his 31 years of
18 dedicated and committed service to the citizens of Mount
19 Prospect as a police officer rising from the rank of Patrolman
20 to Chief; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to Chief Semkiu with our gratitude for his public
3 service and our best wishes for his retirement years.