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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Elizabeth A. Robb on the  
4 occasion of her retirement as Chief Judge of the 11th Judicial  
5 Circuit; and

6           WHEREAS, Judge Robb was elected by her colleagues to serve  
7 as Chief Judge of the 11th Judicial Circuit in 2004 and has  
8 been selected to serve in the position continuously for 10  
9 years; she previously served as an Associate Circuit Judge and  
10 as Circuit Judge of the 11th Judicial Circuit; she was the  
11 first woman to hold these offices, inspiring women to pursue  
12 success and excellence in the field of law; and

13           WHEREAS, Judge Robb has successfully practiced law as a  
14 sole practitioner in a private law practice; she has also been  
15 a partner in the law firm of Reynard & Robb in Bloomington and  
16 has served as Assistant Juvenile Public Defender for McLean  
17 County; and

18           WHEREAS, Judge Robb has willingly and selflessly shared her  
19 wealth of knowledge and expertise with students in business law  
20 at Illinois State University and Illinois Wesleyan University;  
21 she has also presented countless programs and workshops to the  
22 edification of others in the fields of law, justice, human

1 services, and social services; and

2 WHEREAS, Judge Robb earned her Bachelor of Arts degree  
3 (magna cum laude) from Illinois Wesleyan University and her  
4 Juris Doctor from the Loyola University Chicago School of Law;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Judge Robb has been appointed to serve state-wide  
7 on numerous committees and conferences, including the  
8 Executive Committee, Committee on Strategic Planning, and  
9 Committee on Juvenile Justice of the Judicial Conference of  
10 Illinois; the Illinois Juvenile Justice Leadership Council;  
11 the Illinois Supreme Court's Special Judicial Advisory  
12 Committee for Justice and Mental Health Planning; she served as  
13 the Chair of the Executive Committee of the Court Reporting  
14 Services Agency and Chair of the Judicial Mentor Committee; she  
15 was also the first woman to be elected as the Chair of the  
16 Conference of Chief Justices; and

17 WHEREAS, Judge Robb helped to establish innovative and  
18 groundbreaking programs to improve court services and the  
19 support of justice and dignity for the vulnerable and at-risk,  
20 mostly notably the Court Appointed Special Advocates program,  
21 the McLean County Drug Court, the McLean County Recovery Court,  
22 the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, the Small Claims  
23 Mediation Program, and the McLean County Mortgage Foreclosure

1 Mediation Program; and

2 WHEREAS, Judge Robb and her husband, Alan Sender, have been  
3 married for more than 30 years; they have 2 children, Jessica  
4 and Molly; and

5 WHEREAS, Judge Robb has broken the mold of Chief Judge  
6 beyond its administrative duties with a desire to tackle  
7 community issues for the benefit of all with a focused resolve  
8 that has earned her the respect of any who know her; therefore,  
9 be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
11 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
12 we congratulate Elizabeth A. Robb on the occasion of her  
13 retirement and wish her continued success and happiness in the  
14 future; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
16 presented to Elizabeth Robb as a symbol of our esteem and  
17 respect.