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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Father Joseph Trapp on his
4 retirement from the St. Joseph Parish in Benton after 56 years
5 of service to his community and faith; and

6 WHEREAS, Father Trapp was born and raised on a farm in Mt.
7 Carmel; after attending St. Mary's Grade School, he attended
8 the St. Henry Seminary in Belleville; and

9 WHEREAS, After being ordained on May 23, 1959, Father Trapp
10 went on to serve at 11 churches across southern Illinois; and

11 WHEREAS, Father Trapp has served as a Pastor at Sacred
12 Heart Church in DuQuoin, St. Peter Cathedral in Belleville, St.
13 Patrick Church in Enfield, St. John Nepomucene Church in
14 Dahlgran, St. Clement Church in McLeansboro, St. Mary Church in
15 Shawneetown, St. Patrick Church in Pond Settlement, St. Rose of
16 Lima Church in Metropolis, and St. Joseph Church in
17 Elizabethtown; and

18 WHEREAS, After serving as the Pastor at St. Joseph Church
19 in Benton since 2000, Father Trapp will retire in July of 2015;
20 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
3 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we congratulate Father Joseph
4 Trapp on the occasion of his retirement and thank him for his
5 years of commitment to the Town of Benton and the State of
6 Illinois, and honor him for his 56 years of dedication to his
7 faith and the thousands of parishioners he has served; and be
8 it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to Father Trapp as an expression of our esteem and
11 respect.