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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 HR0008 -2- LRB099 03767 GRL 23834 r 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

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

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 HR0008 -3- LRB099 03767 GRL 23834 r 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

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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

ΒY 10 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF RESOLVED, THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 11 congratulate Elizabeth A. Robb on the occasion of her 12 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.