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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate John A. Ambrose, former  
4 Chief Operating Officer of Rentech Nitrogen GP, LLC and former  
5 President of Rentech Nitrogen, LLC on the occasion of his  
6 retirement on January 9, 2015; and

7           WHEREAS, John Ambrose served in those leadership positions  
8 from 2007 until his retirement at Rentech Nitrogen's nitrogen  
9 fertilizer facility near East Dubuque; and

10           WHEREAS, The Rentech Nitrogen East Dubuque plant is the  
11 only nitrogen fertilizer manufacturing facility in Illinois  
12 and supplies corn growers in the northern half of the State;  
13 and

14           WHEREAS, John Ambrose led the facility to expand production  
15 of several products including a \$100,000,000 ammonia  
16 expansion, that created numerous construction jobs; and

17           WHEREAS, John Ambrose led the Rentech Nitrogen East Dubuque  
18 facility to spend between \$5 to \$10 million in maintenance  
19 capital projects annually to renew the 49-year-old facility to  
20 assure jobs, local commerce, a tax base, and a supply of  
21 Illinois-made nitrogen fertilizer to agricultural dealers and

1 coops; and

2 WHEREAS, John Ambrose led the facility to install a unit to  
3 produce and supply DEF (Diesel Emission Fluid) for the control  
4 of pollutants from mobile diesel engines; and

5 WHEREAS, John Ambrose led Rentech Nitrogen to install  
6 numerous environmental stewardship projects that eliminated  
7 the use of an ozone depleting refrigerant, improved the capture  
8 of oil in waste water, reduced the emission of a primary  
9 pollutant, and on a voluntary basis reduced by over 90% the  
10 emission of a greenhouse gas; and

11 WHEREAS, John Ambrose participated in the Chemical  
12 Industry Council of Illinois and specifically as Chairman of  
13 the executive Committee in 2014; and

14 WHEREAS, John Ambrose led Rentech Nitrogen to support the  
15 local economic development effort (Tri-County Economic  
16 Development Alliance-TCEDA) and served on its Executive  
17 committee and as Vice-Chairman; and

18 WHEREAS, John Ambrose led Rentech Nitrogen to join and  
19 participate in other Northwest Illinois organizations and  
20 re-focused donations to local charities, local fire and police  
21 organizations, and local agricultural organizations;

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
3 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
4 thank former Rentech Nitrogen Chief Operating Officer John A.  
5 Ambrose for his years of service to the people of Illinois, to  
6 Northwest Illinois, and to Jo Daviess County, and we  
7 congratulate him on his retirement, and wish him all the best  
8 in his future endeavors; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
10 presented to John Ambrose as an expression of our  
11 congratulations and appreciation for a job well done.