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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Gail D. Mitchell on the 4 occasion of his retirement after 20 years of dedicated service 5 as Mayor of the City of Fairview Heights; and
- WHEREAS, Gail Mitchell was born in 1937 in East St. Louis;

 he was raised in Ava before moving back to East St. Louis in

 1953, where he resided until he moved and settled in Fairview

 Heights; and
- WHEREAS, Prior to becoming Mayor of the City of Fairview
 Heights, Gail Mitchell was employed by the General Motors
 Corporation from 1956 until his retirement in November of 1987;
 and
- WHEREAS, In 1983, Gail Mitchell was elected to serve as
 Fairview Heights' Ward 3 Alderman, serving in that capacity
 until 1987; he was re-elected as Alderman in 1991 and
 subsequently served a second 4-year term, serving there until
 he ran for and successfully gained the office of Mayor of the
 City of Fairview Heights in 1995; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Gail Mitchell was re-elected as Mayor of the City 21 of Fairview Heights in April of 1999; he is currently serving

- 1 his third term after being re-elected in April of 2003; and
- 2 WHEREAS, While serving the citizens of Fairview Heights as
- 3 their Mayor, Gail Mitchell has been very active in many local
- 4 organizations; he served as President of the Southwestern
- 5 Illinois Council of Mayors from 2001 to 2003; he also served as
- 6 Vice President of the Illinois Municipal League Board; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Gail Mitchell and his wife of 48 years, Vera, have
- 8 been residents of Fairview Heights since October of 1963; Gail
- 9 and Vera have 4 children and 8 grandchildren; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Gail Mitchell serves as a model of hard work,
- integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
- 12 Illinois; therefore, be it
- 13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 14 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 15 congratulate Gail D. Mitchell on the occasion of his retirement
- and wish him continued success and happiness in the future; and
- 17 be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 19 presented to Gail Mitchell as a symbol of our esteem and
- 20 respect.