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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Elry Faulkner on the
4 occasion of his retirement as Johnson County Sheriff after 40
5 years; and

6 WHEREAS, Sheriff Faulkner is the longest-serving sheriff
7 in the State; he began his career in law enforcement as a
8 part-time officer for the Vienna Police Department in 1968; in
9 1970, he joined the Johnson County Sheriff's Office; he
10 returned to the Vienna Police Department in 1973; in 1974, he
11 was elected Johnson County Sheriff; and

12 WHEREAS, Sheriff Faulkner was elected president of the
13 Illinois Sheriffs' Association Southern Zone in 1986 and as
14 president of the Illinois Sheriffs' Association in 1994; he was
15 sworn in as a member of the Illinois Sheriffs' Association
16 Executive Board in 1987 and has served on the Board ever since;
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18 WHEREAS, Sheriff Faulkner was awarded the Medal of Valor in
19 1994 by the Illinois Sheriffs' Association for his arrest of
20 and altercation with the escaped federal prisoner who shot him
21 in 1979; and

1 WHEREAS, Sheriff Faulkner has touched the lives of
2 thousands of people in Johnson County, which is evident by his
3 re-election every 4 years since 1974; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
5 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
6 congratulate Elry Faulkner on his retirement as Johnson County
7 Sheriff and wish him the best in all his future endeavors; and
8 be it further

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