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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are honored to congratulate Joanne K. Glasser  
4 on her retirement as President of Bradley University; and

5           WHEREAS, President Glasser is a graduate of George  
6 Washington University in Washington, D.C. and the University of  
7 Maryland School of Law; she also has a certificate from the  
8 Harvard University Graduate School of Education Institute for  
9 Higher Education Management in Boston; and

10           WHEREAS, Prior to her presidency at Bradley University,  
11 President Glasser, a native of Baltimore, served as president  
12 of Eastern Kentucky University, as executive vice president and  
13 chief advancement officer at Towson University, and as an  
14 attorney and labor commissioner for the Baltimore County  
15 government; and

16           WHEREAS, Under President Glasser's leadership, Bradley  
17 University has enrolled the best classes academically on record  
18 in the University's history for fall 2012, 2013, and 2014 based  
19 on ACT scores; her other academic initiatives include the  
20 launch of both a Pre-Law Center and a PreProfessional Health  
21 Advisory Center; she also helped Bradley University create  
22 programs in interactive media, game and web design, social

1 media marketing, accelerated nursing, global supply chain  
2 management, hospitality leadership, sports communication, and  
3 a dietetics internship curriculum; in 2015, the University  
4 launched an initiative to offer online graduate programs in  
5 nursing and counseling; and

6 WHEREAS, Numerous "firsts" occurred throughout her  
7 presidency; the Mund-Lagowski Department of Chemistry and  
8 Biochemistry became the first department to be named in the  
9 University's history; Bradley University's Executive MBA  
10 program was named in 2009 after Dr. Theresa Falcon, the first  
11 EMBA program in the world to be named for a woman and by a  
12 woman; President Glasser and the Board of Trustees announced  
13 the creation of the Robert and Carolyn Turner School of  
14 Entrepreneurship and Innovation in 2012; Bradley University is  
15 among the first universities in the nation to have a school of  
16 entrepreneurship and the first established as a freestanding  
17 academic unit; a second school was established for iconic  
18 sportscaster Charley Steiner in 2015, The Charley Steiner  
19 School of Sports Communication, which is the first such school  
20 to be named in the nation; acknowledging a decades-long history  
21 of support for the University, President Glasser announced the  
22 naming of the Caterpillar College of Engineering and Technology  
23 in 2012; and

24 WHEREAS, President Glasser successfully completed the

1 largest comprehensive capital campaign, the campaign for a  
2 Bradley Renaissance, in the University's history; the campaign  
3 that changed the face of the University surpassed its goal of  
4 \$150 million; the first phase of the Renaissance included  
5 construction of the \$30 million Markin Family Student  
6 Recreation Center and a 600-car parking deck; the \$50 million,  
7 4,200-seat Renaissance Coliseum, home to the women's  
8 basketball and volleyball teams and the Men's Basketball  
9 Practice Facility opened in 2010; the \$12 million Hayden-Clark  
10 Alumni Center which was completed in 2011, earning LEED Silver  
11 certification from the United States Green Building Council;  
12 the expansion and renovation of Westlake Hall, the  
13 second-oldest building on campus, was completed in 2012,  
14 earning LEED Gold certification from the United States Green  
15 Building Council; and

16 WHEREAS, President Glasser serves as the chair of the NCAA  
17 Division I Committee on Institutional Performance (formerly  
18 the NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification) and  
19 as vice chair of its Executive Subcommittee; she was a member  
20 of the Board of Directors: Division I Presidential Advisory  
21 Group; she is also a member of the Commission on Women in  
22 Higher Education Task Force, the Council for Advancement and  
23 Support of Education, and a former member of the American  
24 Council on Education Commission on Effective Leadership; and

1           WHEREAS, A student-focused university with an emphasis on  
2 student-learning and success, President Glasser is a champion  
3 of students; she was nationally recognized for her student  
4 engagement by The Chronicle of Higher Education, which  
5 published a story about the Office Hours she holds monthly for  
6 students; and

7           WHEREAS, President Glasser was the honorary chair of the  
8 25th annual Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in Peoria,  
9 hometown of Ms. Komen and her sister, Nancy Brinker, founder of  
10 the Komen Foundation and Race for the Cure; under her  
11 leadership, the University received an international award  
12 from Susan G. Komen for the Cure: the 2011 Outstanding  
13 Volunteer Group Award; in 2011, she was honored with the Peoria  
14 YWCA Education and Care of Children Award for her many  
15 contributions at Bradley; President Glasser also was the  
16 recipient of the Bradley University 2010 Megan Fong Inspiration  
17 Award; therefore, be it

18           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
19 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
20 congratulate Joanne K. Glasser on her retirement as President  
21 of Bradley University and for her dedicated service and  
22 leadership to the Bradley University community; and be it  
23 further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to Joanne Glasser as an expression of our esteem and  
3 respect.