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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate Warren O. Hughes on the 4 occasion of his retirement and thank him for his many years of 5 service; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Warren Hughes is the Associate Pastor at the 7 Havana Church of Christ; he is retiring after 65 years in the 8 ministry; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Warren Hughes was raised in Richland Center, 10 Wisconsin; he entered the ministry in 1950 when he and his 11 wife, Mary Lou, moved to Minneapolis so Warren could attend 12 Minnesota Bible College; and
- WHEREAS, While Warren Hughes attended college, he began his preaching career at 2 small country churches outside Minneapolis; in 1954, Warren and his wife moved to Granola, Kansas, where he started his full-time ministry; the couple excelled in starting up new churches; and
- WHEREAS, Warren Hughes served in Kansas, Nebraska, and Iowa before coming to Woodstock, where he started his last church at the age of 65; and

- 1 WHEREAS, In 1988, Warren Hughes and his wife moved to
- 2 Havana, where he was hired at the Havana Church of Christ as an
- 3 Associate Pastor; his primary duties were to minister to the
- 4 senior citizens in the church and the community; and
- 5 WHEREAS, During his time at the Havana Church of Christ,
- 6 Warren Hughes developed a vibrant jail ministry, calling on
- 7 those who were incarcerated; he made visits to those who were
- 8 confined to their homes or in a nursing home, often leading
- 9 Sunday services at the facilities; he and his wife would also
- 10 visit the downtrodden, helping them buy groceries or passing
- along items provided from local gardens; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Warren Hughes, now 92 years old, still likes to
- dabble in his garden; when he was younger, he loved helping on
- 14 the farm and participating in outdoor pursuits, such as
- 15 hunting; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Warren Hughes remains outspoken against drug,
- 17 alcohol, and gambling addiction and has never shied away from
- 18 voicing concern, support, or opposition to issues before the
- 19 General Assembly; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Warren Hughes serves as an example of faith,
- 21 passion, and dedication; his work throughout his career has
- benefited many; therefore, be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
  2 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
  3 thank Warren O. Hughes for his many years of service,
  4 congratulate him on the occasion of his retirement, and wish
  5 him all the best in his future endeavors; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Warren Hughes as an expression of our congratulations and appreciation for a job well done.