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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Commander Kristen Ziman on being appointed as the next Chief of Police for the City of Aurora; and

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WHEREAS, Chief Ziman was born and raised in Aurora; she graduated from West Aurora High School; and

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WHEREAS, Chief Ziman began working with the Aurora Police Department as cadet in 1991; she served 3 years as a cadet before becoming a sworn officer in 1994; she has worked in patrol, field training, community policing, and investigations as a domestic violence detective, before being promoted to Sergeant in 2003; she was promoted to Lieutenant in 2008 and to Commander in 2010; she has been a trailblazer in a number of positions throughout her career and has worked diligently to mentor other women in law enforcement, locally and nationally; she is the past President of the National Association of Women Law Enforcement Executives; and

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WHEREAS, Chief Ziman earned her associate's degree from Waubonsee Community College, her bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Aurora University, and her master's degree in criminal justice management from Boston University; in

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1 addition, she is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and  
2 completed the Kellogg Women's Senior Leadership Program at  
3 Northwestern University, the Senior Executives in State and  
4 Local Government at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government,  
5 and the Senior Management Institute for Police; and

6 WHEREAS, Chief Ziman lives in Aurora with her spouse,  
7 Chris, and their children Megan, Jimmy, Bailey, and Jacob; and

8 WHEREAS, Chief Ziman's recommendation to be appointed was  
9 approved by the Aurora City Council on January 12, 2016; she  
10 begins as the new Aurora Police Chief immediately, making her  
11 the first female Chief in the Department's history and the 28th  
12 Chief in the history of the Department; 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 Chief Kristen Ziman on being appointed as the next  
16 Chief of Police for the City of Aurora; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to Chief Ziman as an expression of our esteem and  
19 respect.