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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives is saddened to learn of the death of David Root, Superintendent of Williamsville-Sherman School District, who passed away on September 7, 2016 after having been diagnosed with leukemia; and

- WHEREAS, Superintendent Root and his wife Julie had two beautiful children; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Superintendent Root's career saw him teach and coach in Williamsville before becoming a K-12 principal and Athletic Director in Greenview; he also served as principal at Athens High School before taking over as Superintendent of Williamsville-Sherman School District in 2007; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Superintendent Root took over as Superintendent
 15 during very challenging times for the district; he was able to
 16 turn the district around with his financial acumen and ability
 17 to understand complex budgeting issues; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Superintendent Root served as a leader and mentor 19 to many in the district and was a good friend to nearly 20 everyone who came to know him; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Superintendent Root worked tirelessly to make
- 2 Williamsville-Sherman School District one of the best school
- 3 districts in the State of Illinois; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Superintendent Root treated every person he
- 5 encountered the way he would want to be treated himself; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Superintendent Root leaves behind a lasting
- 7 legacy of his passion for educating our children and his strong
- 8 commitment to helping them achieve their dreams and live up to
- 9 their fullest potential; therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 11 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 12 mourn the loss of Williamsville-Sherman School District
- 13 Superintendent David Root and offer our deepest condolences to
- 14 his family, friends, and the entire Williamsville-Sherman
- 15 community; and be it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to the family of Superintendent Root as a symbol of
- 18 our sorrow over his passing.