

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to honor Chief Joseph M.  
4 Mendrick, who is retiring as Chief of Police of the Oak Park  
5 Police Department after 35 years of service; and

6 WHEREAS, Chief Mendrick began his career with the Oak  
7 Park Police Department on July 31, 1967 as a patrolman and  
8 moved up through the ranks to become Chief of Police on  
9 October 29, 1990; he also served as a Military Police officer  
10 in the United States Army; and

11 WHEREAS, Chief Mendrick received an associate's degree  
12 from Triton College, a bachelor's degree in criminal justice  
13 management from Aurora University, and a diploma in traffic  
14 police administration from Northwestern University; he also  
15 is a graduate of the 38th Session of the Federal Bureau of  
16 Investigation Law Enforcement Executive Training Session in  
17 Quantico, Virginia; and

18 WHEREAS, Chief Mendrick is a member of the Alpha Chi  
19 National Honor Society, the Illinois Association of Chiefs of  
20 Police, the International Association of Chiefs of Police,  
21 the West Suburban Police Chiefs Association, and the Cook  
22 County State's Attorney's Police Chiefs Advisory Council; and

23 WHEREAS, Chief Mendrick enjoys being involved in the  
24 community; he has served as a Public Safety Committee staff  
25 liaison, a Board of Fire and Police Commission entry level  
26 selection team member, an E-911 Emergency Telephone System  
27 board member, an Oak Park-River Forest I-Search advisory  
28 board member, an Oak Park-River Forest Gang and Drug Task  
29 Force member, an Avenue Lake May Madness Planning Committee  
30 member, and Chairperson of the Operations Committee of the  
31 West Suburban Consolidated Dispatch Center; therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
2           NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
3           we congratulate Chief Joseph M. Mendrick for 35 years of  
4           dedication and service to the Oak Park Police Department and  
5           wish him the best in his future endeavors; and be it further

6           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
7           presented to Chief Joseph M. Mendrick with our sincere  
8           regards.