

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives wish
3 to extend their sincerest congratulations to State
4 Representative Vincent A. Persico, who is retiring from his
5 legislative duties on January 9, 2002; and

6 WHEREAS, Born on December 9, 1948 in Oak Park, Illinois,
7 Representative Persico received his bachelor's degree from
8 the University of Illinois in 1971 and his master's degree
9 from Northern Illinois University in 1986; and

10 WHEREAS, Representative Persico has served the residents
11 of the 39th Representative District in the Illinois General
12 Assembly since 1991; his legislative assignments included:
13 Committees on Aging; Committee of the Whole; Environment and
14 Energy; Financial Institutions; Electric Utility Deregulation
15 (Co-Chairperson); Labor; and Telecommunications Rewrite; and

16 WHEREAS, Representative Persico was instrumental in
17 developing and passing a rewrite of the Telecommunications
18 Article, which greatly improved telecommunication service
19 standards for every citizen of the State of Illinois; due to
20 his efforts, the new law provides strong consumer protections
21 by setting clear, strict service quality standards, opens up
22 the telecommunications market to competition which will lead
23 to choice, lower prices, and higher quality service, and
24 enhances "slamming, cramming, and jamming" protection; and

25 WHEREAS, Representative Persico was instrumental in the
26 passage of the Illinois Electric Service Customer Choice and
27 Rate Relief Law of 1997, which restructured the State's
28 electric utility industry to offer customers choices about
29 who supplies their electric power, competitive prices for
30 that power, and new services; due to his efforts, all
31 non-residential customers have the option to choose their
32 electric supplier and residential customers will soon have a

1 similar option; and

2 WHEREAS, Representative Persico has been an active member
3 of numerous civic and community organizations, including
4 service on the Board of Directors of the Milton Township
5 Committee of Youth, as a board member of Glen Ellyn Family
6 Services, as a Trustee for Milton Township, and as a member
7 of the Kiwanis Club and the Glenbard West Booster Club; in
8 addition, he served as a member of the Ad Hoc Committee,
9 Family Services and the Wheaton Affordable Housing Committee,
10 and was active in Glen Ellyn Boys Baseball and the PTA Board
11 at Hadley Junior High School; and

12 WHEREAS, Representative Persico has been supported in his
13 legislative and community service by his wife Donna and son
14 Derek; and

15 WHEREAS, Representative Vincent Persico will officially
16 resign from his duties on January 9, 2002 and establish a
17 lobbying firm; his presence, dedication, and service will be
18 deeply missed by members on both side of the aisle;
19 therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
21 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
22 we congratulate Representative Vincent A. Persico for his
23 distinguished record of service and dedication in the
24 Illinois General Assembly and to the residents of the 39th
25 Representative District; and we wish him well in his new
26 career; and be it further

27 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
28 presented to Representative Vincent A. Persico as an
29 expression of our esteem.