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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION 2 WHEREAS, It is important to recognize those who contribute 3 to the betterment of the State of Illinois through public service; and 4 5 WHEREAS, Chief Ron Young was born in Kankakee to John and 6 Sandra Young on November 8, 1961; and 7 WHEREAS, Chief Ron Young attended Kankakee public and 8 parochial schools; he graduated from Bishop McNamara High 9 School in 1979; and WHEREAS, Chief Ron Young was a student-athlete on the 10 11 wrestling team while at Drake University; and 12 WHEREAS, Chief Ron Young has been a dedicated firefighter since 1984; he has served more than 30 years with the Kankakee 13 14 Fire Department; and he earned several promotions eventually reaching the rank of Fire Chief on December 1, 2004; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Chief Ron Young proved his bravery and resolve 17 when, in 1991, he resuscitated a 55-year-old woman who had gone into full cardiac arrest; and 18

WHEREAS, Chief Ron Young, obtained his Bachelors of Arts

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1 from Western Illinois University in 2003 and earned his

- 2 master's degree in Public Administration in 2007; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Chief Ron Young is a dedicated family man; he is
- 4 the father to several children and grandchildren, and has been
- 5 married to his wife, Deanne, since 1981; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 7 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 8 congratulate Chief Ron Young of the Kankakee Fire Department,
- 9 on his retirement from his lifelong service and dedication to
- 10 the people of the Kankakee community; and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to Chief Ron Young and his family as a symbol of our
- 13 esteem and respect.