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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives would like to congratulate Dr. Constance
4 "Connie" Collins on the occasion of her retirement as Round
5 Lake Area United District 116 Superintendent; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Collins arrived in Round Lake in 2010, when
7 the district was under state control; now, Round Lake High
8 School has been named as one of the state's top schools and the
9 district has also received the certificate of financial
10 excellence from the Association of School Business Officials
11 for four consecutive years; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Collins oversaw the \$29 million Round Lake
13 High renovation that created STEM classrooms and labs, new
14 athletic facilities, and a business incubator program; under
15 her leadership, the high school's graduation rate increased
16 from 72 percent to 90 percent in the last three years; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Collins has served the Lake County area as a
18 board member for a number of organizations, including the YWCA
19 of Lake County, SJCB Performing Arts Center, Lake County High
20 Schools Technology Campus, Northern Lake County Conference,
21 ECRA Advisory Board, Fox Lake/Round Lake Rotary Club, Round
22 Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Round Lake Area Exchange

1 Club; and

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Collins has been a partner on many important
3 State and local initiatives, including helping to pass the
4 education funding overhaul; her advocacy and work to improve
5 the lives of the district's children, their parents, teachers,
6 and other academic professionals is unmatched; the greater
7 Round Lake area and schools are directly better because of her
8 tireless work; as a result of her stewardship, the school is a
9 better place that will continue to thrive, both educationally
10 and economically; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
12 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
13 congratulate Dr. Constance "Connie" Collins on the occasion of
14 her retirement as Round Lake Area United District 116
15 Superintendent, and we recognize her leadership and commitment
16 to the education of her students; and be it further

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