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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Norman R. Bobins, a native Chicagoan and pre-eminent banker, has served the Illinois banking industry for a period spanning five decades; and

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WHEREAS, Norman Bobins began his career in 1967 at the American National Bank and Trust Company in Chicago; in 1981, he joined Exchange National Bank, which was later acquired by LaSalle Bank; he retired from ABN AMRO and LaSalle Bank Corporation as chairman, president, and chief executive officer in 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Norman Bobins currently serves as the non-executive chairman of The PrivateBank and Trust Company in Chicago and non-executive chairman of the board of Transco, Inc.; he also serves on the corporate boards of AAR CORP., Omega Healthcare Investors, Inc., and RREEF America REIT II, Inc.; and

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WHEREAS, Norman Bobins has provided continuous leadership and has devoted a lifetime of community service to dozens of local, State, and national civic organizations, including serving four consecutive four-year terms as a member of the Chicago Board of Education, serving as a board trustee of WTTW Communications, Inc., where he served as chairman for six

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1 years, and as a member of the boards of directors of the  
2 Auditorium Theatre, Brain Research Foundation, The Field  
3 Museum, Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, Illinois  
4 Sports Facilities Authority, Navy Pier, Inc., and the Wisconsin  
5 Alumni Research Foundation; and

6 WHEREAS, Norman Bobins is a Life Member of the University  
7 of Chicago Booth School of Business, former chairman of the  
8 board of the Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce, and has served as  
9 a member of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council; and

10 WHEREAS, Norman Bobins has received numerous awards  
11 including the Illinois Bankers Association's 2014 Illinois  
12 Banker of the Year Award, the 2012 Woodrow Wilson Award for  
13 Corporate Citizenship, the 2007 Order of Lincoln, the State of  
14 Illinois' highest award, the 2007 Chicagoland Chamber of  
15 Commerce's Daniel H. Burnham Distinguished Leadership Award,  
16 the 2003 University of Chicago Graduate School of Business'  
17 Distinguished Corporate Alumnus Award, and the 1992 Human  
18 Rights Medallion from the American Jewish Committee;  
19 therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize Norman R.  
22 Bobins for his outstanding leadership, selfless service,  
23 generous philanthropy, and willingness to help local

1 communities prosper and thrive; and be it further

2       RESOLVED, That we congratulate Norman Bobins for his 50  
3 years of service to the banking industry and in helping to  
4 promote economic and job growth in the great State of Illinois,  
5 for serving as a teacher and mentor to so many Illinois  
6 bankers, and for his unfaltering commitment to community and  
7 State; and be it further

8       RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to  
9 Norman Bobins and his wife, Virginia, at the Annual Conference  
10 of the Illinois Bankers Association on June 23, 2017 as an  
11 expression of our esteem and respect.