

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Edwin F. Goebig, III, a gifted attorney
3 whose contribution to the Illinois legislative process will
4 be greatly missed by the members of this body, has retired as
5 Deputy Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Goebig joined the Legislative Reference
7 Bureau as a staff attorney in 1980, and he soon developed an
8 expertise in drafting pension legislation that remains
9 unparalleled; and

10 WHEREAS, Appointed Deputy Director of the Legislative
11 Reference Bureau in 1991, Mr. Goebig has shouldered
12 innumerable administrative duties and has mentored many new
13 drafters in the intricacies of interpreting and crafting
14 legislative documents; and

15 WHEREAS, As the author of the General Assembly's annual
16 revisory bills, he has been the guiding force in maintaining
17 the integrity of the State's database of statutes despite
18 quantitative and technological challenges; and

19 WHEREAS, A graduate of the Punahou School in Honolulu,
20 the University of Pennsylvania, and the Washington University
21 School of Law in St. Louis, Mr. Goebig possesses a keen and
22 broad intellect that has proven invaluable in addressing a
23 vast array of legislative topics; and

24 WHEREAS, His advocacy of public service resulted in his
25 co-founding of the Government Bar Association, an
26 organization he served tirelessly in a myriad of roles; and

27 WHEREAS, Mr. Goebig's warm and generous nature has
28 endowed him with the gift of friendship, for his joy in
29 classical music, opera, sumo wrestling, and wine is expressed
30 with such sociability and infectious delight; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Goebig's retirement deprives the General
2 Assembly and his professional colleagues and associates of a
3 wealth of knowledge and a dedication to superior legislative
4 drafting that cannot be replaced; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-
6 THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
7 congratulate Mr. Edwin F. Goebig, III, upon his retirement as
8 Deputy Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau, noting
9 with sincere appreciation his commitment to excellence in
10 legislative drafting; that we commend him to the citizens of
11 this State as the personification of public service; and that
12 we wish him success and happiness in every future endeavor;
13 and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to
15 Mr. Edwin F. Goebig, III.