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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dave Clark, Department of Transportation District 5 Engineer, is retiring after 28 years of dedicated public service; and

WHEREAS, He was born on June 22, 1954, at the Furstenfeldbruck Air Force Base in Germany; he attended Cuba High School in Cuba, Illinois, Spoon River College in Canton, and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering from the University of Illinois in 1977; he obtained his professional engineering license in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his 28 year career, he spent 26 years working in District 4 in the areas of Construction and Design before being promoted to District Engineer for District 5 in May of 2002; during his career, he served on several Statewide committees, including as Team Leader for the Department's Total Quality Management Initiative and as a member of the Warranty Specification and Guideline Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Clark was recognized for his outstanding work with the Department; in 1986, he received the Engineer of the Year Award from District 4; in evaluations, he was recognized for his positive leadership approach, his proactive approach, and his "can-do" attitude; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as District Engineer for District 5, there are several accomplishments of note; in the area of program development, the District was number one in the State of Illinois three years in a row in accomplishing its program, and in 2004, the District accomplished 100% of its program and in the last two years; in the area of operations, the District had an excellent snow removal record in 2004, the Bears football signing, and the farm progress signing; in the area of project implementation, contract additions were the

1 lowest in the State for 2001 and 2002, construction and  
2 engineering costs were below State averages on a consistent  
3 basis, and the District has won several contractor of the year  
4 awards; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Clark has been in active in youth football  
6 programs for 19 years in Elmwood and was president of the  
7 Elmwood Association of Commerce from 1988 to 1990; he and his  
8 wife have a son and daughter and all currently reside in the  
9 Charleston area; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
11 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
12 congratulate Dave Clark on the occasion of his retirement from  
13 the Department of Transportation after 28 years of public  
14 service; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
16 presented to Dave Clark as an expression of our esteem and with  
17 best wishes for a relaxing retirement.