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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Kenneth C. Hendriksen is retiring after 33 years in education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hendriksen holds a Ph.D. in educational administration from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, a Specialist in Education degree from Eastern Illinois University, and two Master of Science degrees, one in administrative certification from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and one in guidance and counseling from Western Illinois University; he earned a B.A. in biology from Lewis University and is a graduate of Weber High School in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, He has served as the Superintendent of Schools of Mt. Zion Community Unit School District #3 since 1985; the district includes 2,450 students at five schools; prior to serving as superintendent, he was principal of Mt. Zion High School and Carrollton High School; he also worked as director of guidance at Carrollton Community Unit School District #1; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure at Mt. Zion, numerous renovations, new buildings, and additions have been completed; two referenda were passed; he managed an annual budget of \$18 to \$20 million; he initiated the Mt. Zion Foundation for Quality Education; and achievement scores have placed the high school in the top 50 three years straight; and

WHEREAS, He is a member of several professional organizations, including the Illinois Association of School Administrators (member of the board of directors), the American Association of School Administrators (member and served on the advisory board), Partners in Education (board member and chairman), the Central Illinois Education Service Center #14

1 (chairman), the Heartland Region Education for Employment
2 System (chairman), Macon-Platt Special Education (chairman),
3 and the Mt. Zion Foundation for Quality Education (founder and
4 member); he was an Educationis Lumen nominee at Lewis
5 University in 1987; and

6 WHEREAS, He has been active civically in the Mt. Zion Lions
7 Club (officer and board of directors), the American Legion
8 Baseball Post #475 (officer), the American Red Cross (regional
9 officer), and he served on the Macon County Regional Planning
10 Board (member); and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Hendriksen is married to Kathy and is the
12 father of David, Rebecca, John, and Steven; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
14 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
15 we congratulate Dr. Kenneth C. Hendriksen on the occasion of
16 his retirement after 33 years in education, and we thank him
17 for the many years he has devoted to the education of children
18 of our State; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to him as an expression of our esteem.