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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
Representatives are pleased to congratulate John W. Rowe,
Chairman, President, and CEO of Exelon Corporation, on being
honored for his achievements by the Illinois Holocaust Museum
and Education Center; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rowe has led electric utilities since 1984, consecutively serving as chief executive officer of Central Maine Power Company, the New England Electric System, and Unicorn Corporation (one of Exelon's predecessors); he is a lawyer, and was general counsel of Consolidated Rail Corporation and a partner in the firm of Isham, Lincoln, and Beale; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rowe is a member of the boards of directors of Sunoco and the Northern Trust Company; he has previously served on the boards of UnumProvident, Fleet Boston Financial Corporation, Wisconsin Central Transportation Company, and MidSouth Corporation; and

WHEREAS, His civic and professional commitments include serving as chairman of the Chicago Historical Society, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Illinois Institute of Technology, chairman of the Mies van der Rohe Society, and vice chairman of

- 1 The Commercial Club of Chicago; and he is a member of the Board
- of Governors for Argonne National Laboratory, the Chicago Urban
- 3 League, the Field Museum, the Art Institute of Chicago,
- 4 Northwestern University, the Edison Electric Institute, the
- 5 Nuclear Energy Institute, the Chicago Club and the visiting
- 6 committees of the Oriental Institute and the University of
- 7 Pennsylvania Museum; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Rowe has previously been chairman of the
- 9 Edison Electric Institute, president of the USS Constitution
- 10 Museum, and chairman of the Massachusetts Business Roundtable;
- 11 he is also a member of the board of the Wisconsin Alumni
- 12 Research Foundation, WiCell Research, and has received the
- 13 university's Distinguished Alumni Award; he holds honorary
- 14 doctorates from DePaul University, Illinois Institute of
- 15 Technology, Drexel University, University of
- Massachusetts-Dartmouth, and Bryant College; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mr. Rowe received the Executive of the Year Award
- 18 from the University of Arizona Eller College of Management in
- 19 2007, the Founder's Award for Business Leadership from The
- 20 Union League of Philadelphia in 2005, a Civic Leadership Award
- 21 from the American Jewish Committee in 2004, the City Club of
- 22 Chicago's Citizen of the Year award in 2002, the Corporate
- 23 Leadership Award from the Spanish Coalition for Jobs in 2002,
- and the Anti-Defamation League's World of Difference award in

- 1 2000; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Rowe has chaired fund raising events for the
- 3 Chicago Urban League, the Spanish Coalition For Jobs, El Valor,
- 4 the Merit School of Music, the Illinois Institute of
- 5 Technology, the Chicago History Museum, and the Cosmopolitan
- 6 Chamber of Commerce; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Mr. Rowe holds a Bachelor's degree and a Juris
- 8 Doctor degree from the University of Wisconsin and its law
- 9 school, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and the Order of
- 10 the Coif; and he is the founder of the Rowe Professorship in
- 11 Byzantine history; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mr. Rowe is married to Jeanne M. Rowe and has one
- son, William, and they reside in Chicago; therefore, be it
- 14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 15 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 16 congratulate Mr. Rowe for his many achievements and wish him
- 17 continued success in his future endeavors; and be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 19 presented to John W. Rowe as a symbol of our respect and
- esteem.