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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Frank Schmitt on 4 the occasion of his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Frank Schmitt was born on November 13, 1950; after graduating from Coal City High School, he received degrees in Law Enforcement from Joliet Junior College and Western Illinois University; he then attended the Police Training Institute and was certified by the Law Enforcement Training Board in Champaign/Urbana; and

WHEREAS, Frank Schmitt has served in the Grundy County Sheriff's Department with pride and distinction since 1973; he began his career as a Patrol Deputy, where he performed traffic enforcement, accident investigation, and general patrol responsibilities; in 1974, he was promoted to an undercover position with the Metropolitan Area Narcotics Squad, where he performed undercover investigations in Grundy, Will, Kendall, and Kankakee areas; in 1976, he was promoted to the position of Staff Sergeant; where he supervised patrol deputies and the daily activities of the patrol division; and

21 WHEREAS, In 1979, Frank Schmitt was promoted to 22 Investigations, where he investigated major crimes perpetrated

- in the jurisdiction of the Sheriff's Department; he was also
- 2 active in the formation and assistance of investigations
- 3 involving narcotics and narcotic trafficking within the Grundy
- 4 County area and served as liaison with the Metropolitan Area
- 5 Narcotics Squad and other State and federal agencies; in 1985,
- 6 he was promoted to Lieutenant and supervisor of the
- 7 investigation division; and
- 8 WHEREAS, In 1989, Frank Schmitt was appointed to be the
- 9 Director of the Metropolitan Area Narcotics Squad, where he
- 10 directed agents assigned to the unit and oversaw the unit's
- 11 day-to-day activities; he was also elected Chairman of the
- 12 Illinois Drug Enforcement Meg/Task Force Commanders Officers
- 13 Association and became a member of the Illinois Chiefs of
- 14 Police Association, the International Narcotic Officers
- 15 Association, and the Joliet Crime Laboratory Advisory Board;
- 16 and
- 17 WHEREAS, In 1996, Frank Schmitt returned to the Grundy
- 18 County Sheriff's Department as the supervisor of the
- investigation division, also continuing his liaison duties; in
- 20 2004, he was assigned to the position of Deputy Chief, where he
- 21 performed various administration duties and continued as
- 22 liaison with the Metropolitan Area Narcotics Squad; he was also
- 23 elected chairman of the Threat Analysis & Critical
- 24 Infrastructure Sub-Committee of the Grundy County Homeland

- 1 Security Committee and worked in various positions with the
- 2 Grundy County Law Enforcement Managers Association, Represent
- 3 the Sheriff, the Grundy County Emergency Services & Disaster
- 4 Agency, the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Family Violence
- 5 Preventing Council, the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System,
- 6 the Illinois Terrorism Task Force, and the Grundy County Safety
- 7 Committee; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Frank Schmitt serves as a model of hard work,
- 9 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
- 10 Illinois; therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 12 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 13 congratulate Frank Schmitt on the occasion of his retirement
- and wish him many happy and healthy retirement years; and be it
- 15 further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 17 presented to Frank Schmitt as a symbol of our esteem and
- 18 respect.