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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Reverend David
4 Engbarth of Aurora for being selected as the 2008 Kane County
5 Citizen of the Year; and

6 WHEREAS, Reverend David Engbarth is the second recipient of
7 the Roscoe Ebey Citizen of the Year Award, which was named for
8 an 83-year-old World War II veteran who was murdered at his
9 home in May of 2007; and

10 WHEREAS, Reverend David Engbarth has had a long history of
11 service in the Aurora religious community; he first served the
12 Aurora community in the late 1970s and early 1980s, when he
13 served at Holy Angels Catholic Church on Aurora's west side;
14 finding a calling in 1981, he asked to be relocated to a
15 Hispanic-based parish; in 1993, he relocated to the St.
16 Nicholas Catholic Church; he currently serves as pastor of Our
17 Lady of Good Counsel Church; and

18 WHEREAS, Reverend David Engbarth and pastor Dan Haas, of
19 Aurora Community Church, co-founded the Prayer Coalition for
20 Reconciliation, a group that holds prayer vigils for victims of
21 violence in Aurora; he has also served as a volunteer chaplain
22 at the Kane County Jail, where he visited inmates about once a

1 month; and

2 WHEREAS, Reverend David Engbarth's serves as a model of
3 piety, compassion, and commitment for the people of the State
4 of Illinois; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
7 congratulate Reverend David Engbarth for being selected as the
8 2008 Kane County Citizen of the Year and wish him continued
9 success and happiness in his future endeavors; and be it
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to Reverend David Engbarth as a symbol of our esteem
13 and respect.