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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Arcelia Watson,
4 reading teacher at Paxton-Buckley-Loda Junior High School, on
5 her retirement; and

6 WHEREAS, She spent the first six years of her 54 year
7 teaching career at a school in East Lynn; she spent the rest in
8 Paxton, first at the high school and the last 40 years serving
9 at the junior high, where she taught English and reading; and

10 WHEREAS, During her career, she influenced decades of
11 students, as well as a large group of present-day teachers in
12 the Paxton-Buckley-Loda district, including her former student
13 and now the principal of the junior high and her boss, Jeff
14 Graham; and

15 WHEREAS, She is a sports fan and goes to numerous events,
16 recently attending the Indianapolis 500 time trials; she has
17 also attended many NASCAR races and also about 45 Indianapolis
18 500 races; she is a Green Bay Packers fan and a big University
19 of Illinois fan; and

20 WHEREAS, She has served as an usher at sports events at
21 Memorial Stadium and the Assembly Hall for many years, and her

1 present duties are in the area of the press and private boxes;
2 she also works at concerts at the Assembly Hall; and

3 WHEREAS, She likes to travel and has gone to Europe, Asia,
4 South America, the Vatican, Red Square in Moscow, and The Great
5 Wall of China; she is looking forward to continuing her travels
6 with her son, Dennis Watson and her daughter, Susan Allen, and
7 her five grandchildren; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
9 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
10 congratulate Arcelia Watson on her retirement and years of
11 service to the children of the Paxton-Buckley-Loda area; and we
12 wish her the best in all her future travels and adventures; and
13 be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to Arcelia Watson as a symbol of our respect and
16 esteem.