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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate Jerry Pelz on his 40th anniversary as founder and executive director of the Northeast Community Fund in Decatur; and

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WHEREAS, Jerry also works with St. John's Lutheran Church in Decatur; and

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WHEREAS, The Northeast Community Fund distributes approximately 1,200 boxes of food each month to the community, helping tens of thousands in need; and

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WHEREAS, In its first month of operations, the Northeast Community Fund helped one or two families with food and clothing; today the Fund helps families with emergency funds, prescription medication, diapers, baby formula, and paying utility bills; and

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WHEREAS, Jerry Pelz is a graduate of Valparaiso University; and

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WHEREAS, He has served on the original boards of Good Samaritan Inn and the Central Illinois Food Bank; he is a Board Member Emeritus for the Macon County Mental Health Association;

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1 and has served on the boards of the Decatur Mental Health
2 Center (now, Heritage Behavioral Health), the Co-op Extension,
3 Decatur First Call for Help, and the Boy Scouts of America;
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
7 congratulate Jerry Pelz and wish him continued success in the
8 future; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to Jerry Pelz as a symbol of our respect and esteem.