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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Vern Maas on the 4 occasion of his retirement after many years of service with 5 Ameren Illinois on December 31, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Vern Maas began his career with Ameren on November 5, 1964 as an unskilled worker making \$2.42 an hour; in June of 1965, he joined the Gas Flow and Pressure Group; 2 years later, he became a journeyman; he subsequently worked his way up to the positions of Crewleader in 1972 and Foreman in 1976; and

WHEREAS, In 1980, Vern Maas was promoted to the position of Gas Pressure Field Supervisor; he also spent time as a Gas Construction Supervisor from 1996 to 1997 and Gas Control Supervisor from 1989 to 1991, before returning to the position of Gas Regulation Supervisor in 1997; in 2004, he was promoted to Superintendent of Gas Technical Service, where he remained until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Vern Maas was the recipient of the CILCO Award of Merit in 1999 for his efforts in helping rescue a 79 year old gentleman whose boat had capsized on Clinton Lake; he was also the recipient of Ameren's President's Performance Leadership Award in 2005 and 2010; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Vern Maas is the loving father of 2 children and 2
- 2 stepchildren and the grandfather of 4 grandchildren and 2
- 3 step-grandchildren; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Vern Maas serves as a model of hard work,
- 5 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
- 6 Illinois; therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 8 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 9 we congratulate Vern Maas on the occasion of his retirement and
- 10 wish him many happy and healthy retirement years; and be it
- 11 further
- 12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to Vern Maas as a symbol of our esteem and respect.