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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Mary B. Reaves on
4 the occasion of her retirement as Vice President of Student
5 Affairs and Dean of Students of Prairie State College; and

6 WHEREAS, Mary Reaves earned her associate's degree from
7 Loop College (now Richard J. Daley College), her bachelor's
8 degree from Loyola University, her master's degree from Chicago
9 State University, and her specialist degree in education from
10 Northern Illinois University; she also received a certificate
11 of completion from the Executive Leadership Institute League of
12 Innovation, the Senior Level Institute Academy for Student
13 Conduct Administration, and the Harvard University Institute
14 for Educational Management; and

15 WHEREAS, Mary Reaves began her educational career at
16 Chicago State University, where she served for 14 years; while
17 there, she served as Assistant to the President, Affirmative
18 Action Officer, and Assistant Director of University
19 Relations; in 1986, she joined Prairie State College; she
20 served as Director of Student Services and Executive Dean of
21 Student Services before becoming Vice President of Student
22 Affairs and Dean of Students, where she remained until her
23 retirement; and

1 WHEREAS, Mary Reaves has served on the board of directors
2 of the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, the
3 Statewide Prevention Programming Advisory Board, the Illinois
4 Council of College Attendance, the Illinois Community College
5 Board Task Force of Financial Aid, the Illinois Community
6 College Board Statewide Committee on Remedial Education, the
7 Illinois Skyway Collegiate Conference Board of Control, and the
8 Illinois Committee on Black Concerns in Higher Education; and

9 WHEREAS, Mary Reaves is a member of the Illinois African
10 American and Latino Higher Education Alliance, the Illinois
11 Council of Community College Administrators, the Illinois
12 Community College Chief Student Services Officers, the
13 National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, the
14 South Suburban Cook County Girl Scouts, the South Suburban
15 Unity Coalition, Aunt Martha's Advisory Board, and Alpha Kappa
16 Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and

17 WHEREAS, A retirement celebration will be held in honor of
18 Mary Reaves and her many achievements on May 20, 2012, at
19 Belagio's Restaurant in Homewood; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
21 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
22 we congratulate Mary B. Reaves on the occasion of her

1 retirement, thank her for her many years of dedicated service
2 in higher education, and wish her many happy and healthy
3 retirement years; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to Mary Reaves as a symbol of our esteem and respect.