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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Molly Martin on the
4 occasion of her retirement on June 1, 2012, after 39 years of
5 service as a distinguished music educator; and

6 WHEREAS, She was greatly influenced by her parents, Barney
7 and Madlyn Erdman; the chairman of the Department of Music at
8 the College of Saint Catherine in Saint Paul, Minnesota; and
9 music educator Sally Small from Naperville School District 203;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, She received her Bachelor's Degree from St.
12 Catherine's in 1971; her Master's Degree from Northern Illinois
13 University in 1992, and her National Board Certification in
14 2006; and

15 WHEREAS, In 1971, she began her first year of teaching in
16 Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in the College Community School District;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, She taught music at Highlands Elementary,
19 Maplebrook Elementary, and Scott Elementary Schools in
20 Naperville School District 203 from 1972 to 1979; she taught
21 music in the Bolingbrook School District in Bolingbrook from

1 1979 to 1981; and

2 WHEREAS, In 1981, she began teaching music at The Avery
3 Coonley School in Downers Grove, where she remained for 9
4 years; and

5 WHEREAS, In 1992, she was hired by Northern Illinois
6 University to serve in the capacity of Director of Corporate
7 and Foundation Relations for one year; and

8 WHEREAS, In 1993, she began teaching music in Indian
9 Prairie School District 204 in Naperville, first at Patterson
10 Elementary School, where she taught for 18 years, and later at
11 Georgetown Elementary, where she taught for one year; and

12 WHEREAS, She has influenced hundreds of young people by
13 instilling a passion and love for music, especially singing, as
14 she served as the Assistant Director, Accompanist, Director,
15 and Artistic Director for the Young Naperville Singers; and

16 WHEREAS, She has supported colleagues by providing
17 guidance for teachers, both experienced and new to the
18 profession, through various mentoring initiatives; and

19 WHEREAS, She has made major contributions to the field of
20 music education by approaching her work with enthusiasm and

1 honest reflection and by identifying and recognizing that each
2 student has a unique way of learning; and

3 WHEREAS, She plans to spend her retirement doing activities
4 at her own leisure at her home in Naperville, including
5 spending time with her daughter, Elizabeth, reading,
6 gardening, teaching piano, lunching with friends, and getting
7 caught up on her rest; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
9 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
10 we congratulate Molly Martin on the occasion of her retirement
11 and wish her many happy and healthy retirement years; and be it
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to Molly Martin as a symbol of our respect and
15 esteem.