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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to honor Representative Chapin Rose for
4 his service and accomplishments in the Illinois House of
5 Representatives and congratulate him on his recent election to
6 the 51st Illinois State Senate District; and

7 WHEREAS, Chapin Rose was born and raised in central
8 Illinois; having grown up in the college town of Charleston, he
9 has a lifelong passion for higher education and a special place
10 in his heart for Eastern Illinois University and Panther
11 Athletics; and

12 WHEREAS, Upon graduating from Charleston High School,
13 Chapin Rose enrolled in and earned his bachelor's degree from
14 the University of Illinois; he also graduated from the
15 University of Illinois College of Law and is a lifetime member
16 of the University of Illinois Alumni Association and a proud
17 supporter of Fighting Illini Athletics; and

18 WHEREAS, Before beginning his service with the Illinois
19 House in 2003, Representative Rose served as a Senior Assistant
20 State's Attorney in Champaign County with a felony caseload;
21 and

1 WHEREAS, Representative Chapin Rose has been a tireless
2 advocate for families and institutions in his district,
3 promoting jobs, agriculture and support for local universities
4 and community colleges; and

5 WHEREAS, As Co-Chairman of the House Republican
6 Methamphetamine Task Force, Representative Rose helped
7 organize public hearings across the State and spearheaded the
8 passage of a comprehensive legislative package cracking down on
9 meth makers and diminishing the dangerous drug's impact on
10 local families and communities; and

11 WHEREAS, Calling on his experience as a former prosecutor,
12 Chapin Rose helped implement a comprehensive and much needed
13 rewrite of the State of Illinois' Criminal Code; and

14 WHEREAS, Representative Rose worked in a bipartisan
15 fashion on the House Medicaid Working Group to craft and pass
16 landmark cost-saving Medicaid reforms; and

17 WHEREAS, Representative Rose worked with State colleges
18 and universities to fundamentally change the way our
19 institutions of higher education are funded through
20 Performance Based Budgeting for universities; and

21 WHEREAS, Representative Rose championed support for

1 Eastern Illinois University's Fine Arts Center project and its
2 Renewable Energy Center, the University of Illinois' Allerton
3 Park, and various projects and programs at Parkland and
4 Lakeland Colleges - both institutions that he attended as a
5 student during his formative years; and

6 WHEREAS, Representative Rose played a key role in the
7 impeachment of former Governor Rod Blagojevich and is the only
8 member of the General Assembly in State history to testify at
9 the impeachment trial of a sitting governor; and

10 WHEREAS, Representative Chapin Rose has received numerous
11 awards for his work in the General Assembly, including the 2003
12 Bowhay Fellowship Award from the Midwestern Legislative
13 Conference, the Legislator of the Year award from the Illinois
14 Drug Education Alliance, the Illinois Farm Bureau/Activator
15 "Friend of Agriculture" Award during each term of office, the
16 Illinois Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Association's 2005
17 Legislative Leadership Award, the Douglas County Regional
18 Prevention Group's Certificate of Recognition for
19 Methamphetamine Awareness in Central Illinois in 2006, and the
20 Illinois Civil Justice League's 2007 Friends of Fairness Award;
21 he was also a member of the inaugural class of the prestigious
22 Edgar Fellows; and

23 WHEREAS, Representative Rose and his wife, Camille, are the

1 proud parents of 4 children, Jack, Annie, Kyra, and Grace; and

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House will miss both
3 the dedication and humor with which Representative Rose has
4 tackled the issues that come before this chamber and wish him
5 well in the new challenges that await him in the Illinois
6 Senate; 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 honor Representative Chapin Rose on his service and
10 accomplishments in the Illinois House, congratulate him on his
11 recent election to the 51st Illinois State Senate District, and
12 wish him continued success in the future; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to Representative Chapin Rose as an expression of our
15 esteem and respect.