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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate David A. Northern, Sr. on
4 receiving the 2015 Most Influential African American of Lake
5 County Award; and

6 WHEREAS, David Northern, Sr. began serving as the Executive
7 Director/Chief Executive Officer of the Lake County Housing
8 Authority in 2008, the first African American to hold the
9 position; he is responsible for the administrative and
10 professional oversight in planning, directing, and
11 coordinating the authority's varied and complex programs; his
12 expertise in affordable housing, his understanding of Lake
13 County and the communities it serves, and his in-depth
14 comprehension of the authority's goals and objectives enable
15 him to meet the ever-increasing challenges of leading an agency
16 that is the 4th-largest in Illinois and serves approximately
17 3,500 families; and

18 WHEREAS, The Most Influential African American of Lake
19 County Award is given to an outstanding individual, or couple,
20 who has shown strong leadership, compassion, and a magnanimous
21 attitude towards their fellow man; this individual, or couple,
22 must have excelled in their field or endeavor and through their
23 means and sphere of influence have improved the quality of life

1 and the conditions of the community in which they live and
2 work; and

3 WHEREAS, David Northern, Sr. has received numerous
4 recognitions throughout his career, including The Graduate of
5 the Last Decade Award in 2004 from Ball State University; a
6 profile in Ebony Magazine's 2004 editorial "30 Leaders Under
7 30"; inclusion in Who's Who In Black Chicago in 2006, 2007, and
8 2010; the Most Influential African Americans of Lake County
9 Award in 2007 and 2010; and the Champion in Housing Award in
10 2010; his various affiliations include national, State, and
11 local housing boards; and

12 WHEREAS, David Northern, Sr. has a Master of Public Affairs
13 from Indiana University and a Bachelor of Science in Accounting
14 from Ball State University; he also holds a Certificate from
15 the University of Maryland for completion of the Executive
16 Education Program in Housing, a Graduate Certificate in Public
17 Management, and a Certificate from the Institute for Innovative
18 Leadership Development; and

19 WHEREAS, David Northern, Sr. will be presented with his
20 award on January 25, 2015 at a celebration in honor of the
21 achievements of African American leadership in the Lake County
22 community; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
3 congratulate David A. Northern, Sr. on receiving the 2015 Most
4 Influential African American of Lake County Award; and be it
5 further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to David Northern, Sr. as an expression of our esteem
8 and respect.